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## Everything, like it was yesterday

PAIGE GLENN  
STAFF WRITER

As exams draw nearer, take a break from studying to enjoy some fine art produced by fellow Clemson students.

"Everything, like it was yesterday" is an MFA thesis exhibit showcasing paintings by Hanna Kozlowski Slone, sculpture by Kara Renfro and photography by Owen Riley, Jr. The show will be on view in Lee Gallery from Monday, Nov. 29 through Friday, Dec. 3 with a lunchtime lecture in the gallery by Slone and Riley. An artist reception will be held on Friday, Dec. 3 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in Lee Gallery.

Having been a professional photojournalist for 25 years, Riley returns to his roots as a fine artist. Riley employs a 19th century photography process known as wet plate collodion, a process once used to capture images in the civil war. There is raw power in the inherent flaws of the process that produces surrealist imagery of a spiritual and metaphysical nature that can't be reproduced in Photoshop.

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### Sports

## Clemson heads to Wake Forest

KEVIN THOMAS  
STAFF WRITER

When Clemson and Wake Forest faced off last season, the Tigers dominated the game 38-3 and started their late-season run to the Atlantic Division Championship.

This will be the 76th meeting between the Tigers and the Demon Deacons on the gridiron. Clemson holds the all-time lead (57-17-1) in a series that dates back to 1933. Wake Forest, under the direction of Jim Grobe, is 2-8 on the season and 1-6 in the ACC.

The Demon Deacons are coming off a 38-3 loss to N.C. State last weekend.

Freshman Tanner Price will start at quarterback for the Demon Deacons.

They are hoping that Price is starting to come into his own in the passing game. Price is also able to hurt teams with his feet if he is given running lanes.

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# Cheating stuns UCF

One-third of class caught red-handed at University of Central Florida.

JACOB WEBB  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The University of Central Florida made headlines this month when it was reported that a large number of students had to retake an exam after a professor was informed students were cheating on their midterms in his course.

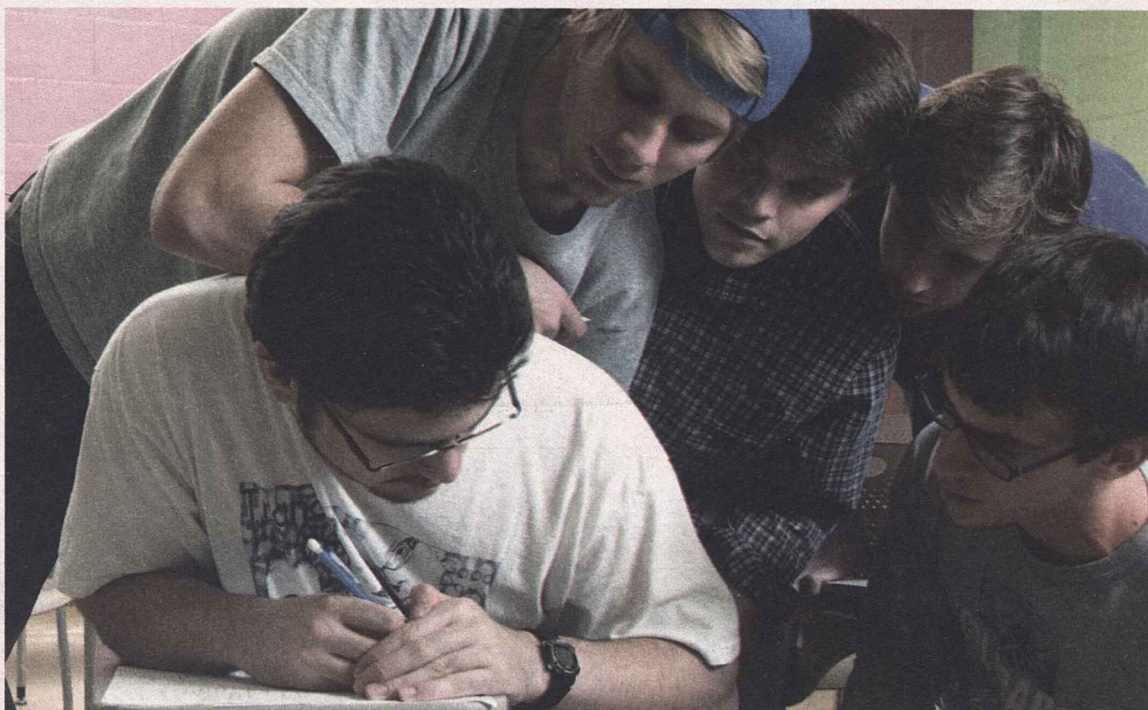
Nearly 200 students out of the 600 enrolled in a business class admitted to cheating on the exam after they obtained copies of the test from the Internet.

The incident has drawn the attention of many national news outlets, including a "Good Morning America" interview with Professor Richard Quinn.

The scandal has certainly had negative repercussions on the school's image, but Teddi Fishman, the director of the International Center for Academic Integrity at Clemson's University's Rutland Institute for Ethics, said she sees some positive aspects in the incident, specifically regarding how the professor has handled the situation.

"I see both good and bad in it," Fishman said. "Of course I am disappointed that so many students would choose to cheat... on the other hand, the professor took steps to correct the situation. I don't think we could have asked for a more thorough or appropriate response."

One of the nation's largest cheating scandals in recent memory, the incident has certainly hurt UCF's public image,



The incident at UCF has raised new concerns over academic dishonesty on college campuses. Photo Illustration.

and Angela Nixon, public information director for Student Affairs and Advancement, agreed with Fishman: the school is taking the right steps to restore their image and reputation.

"This scandal could definitely hurt UCF's image, at least for a little while," Nixon said. "For every negative story that is written about a college, it takes many more positive stories to overcome it from a public relations standpoint."

Nixon noted the required

attendance of an ethics seminar by the cheating students and the university's support of Professor Quinn as two examples of actions that UCF has taken to rehabilitate their reputation.

Fishman said the target of schools concerned with cheating shouldn't be focused on catching and punishing cheaters as much as it should be aiming to improve cheating prevention measures.

"There are a whole range of things

that we can and should do," she said. "That includes everything from making assignments fresh and relevant to helping students understand why they should not cheat."

Fishman summarized her thoughts on the episode: "You can also look at what's happened at UCF as a necessary first step toward recovery. Yes, it's painful, but when there is something wrong, you have to get it out into the open so you can start working toward fixing it."

## Blood brawl continues

Tigers and Gamecocks lay down their arms to save lives.

TEDDY KULMALA  
NEWS EDITOR

This week, Clemson and USC students are rolling up their sleeves to see who can amass the most units of donated blood, but more importantly, to save lives.

The 26th annual Clemson vs. USC blood drive brings the total number of pints donated to 87,000, according to Susannah Peters, blood drive chair for Alpha Phi Omega.

The heated contest, held one week prior to the annual football matchup, began in 1984 when AnMed Health Blood Center and the American Red Cross asked Alpha Phi Omega at Clemson and the Greek council at USC to organize a blood drive as a competition between the schools.

Clemson leads the series 14-11; however, USC has won every year since 2007. Peters said this year's numbers will be slightly lower than recent years because they're counting actual units collected and not just attempts made at donating. "In the beginning it started off as a percentage. We won all those,

basically," she said. "Then we went to this way, where we counted actual units, and we won about 50 percent of those. Then we went to attempted donors in 2004, and we lost both of those."

Since there are no criteria for an "attempted donor," Peters said it's easier to keep track of the tally by saying "actual donors."

Peters said the competition is not the primary motivation, though. "It's fun to have the competitive spirit, but this is a vital thing we do for the hospitals in the community," she said.

Mary Leslie Miller, a freshman undeclared major, has donated blood before. With a rare blood type — O-negative — Miller said she's donating "just to save lives." "I know they need it," she said.

Hope Rosenlund, a freshman therapeutic recreation manager, has never donated before but, like her friend, is donating to help others. "I'm definitely a little nervous, but I'm excited," she said.

Joyce Edwards, blood services manager for AnMed Health, has been

a part of the blood brawl for the last 20 years and is pleased with this year's turnout. "It's been very steady and consistent. Our beds have stayed full all week," she said.

While there currently is no shortage of blood in the upstate, Edwards said this drive gets AnMed through the busy holiday season, the activities of which often prevent people from donating.

Edwards recommends eating a good meal, drinking plenty of liquids and getting enough rest before donating. However, she said, the biggest mistake people make is not coming.

Peters said in addition to a free long-sleeve Clemson t-shirt and refreshments, donors will receive coupons for local businesses and restaurants, including Chick-fil-A and Dunkin' Donuts, as well as other prizes.

According to Edwards, the entire process takes between 30 minutes and an hour, and she advises donors to come early. "Come with your patience and be willing to give," she said. "We love seeing all the smiling faces. It's a great thing."

## Barker speaks at Town Hall

Second annual Student Media event.

JEFF KINNISON  
STAFF WRITER

Clemson students have a chance to learn more about their university next week.

Students will have the opportunity to pose questions about events unfolding on campus when Student Media hosts its second annual Town Hall with President Barker.

Students, faculty and staff are invited to bring questions to Tillman Auditorium on Monday, Nov. 22 at 6 p.m.

Rather than a speech, President Barker will give a few opening remarks and then open the floor to

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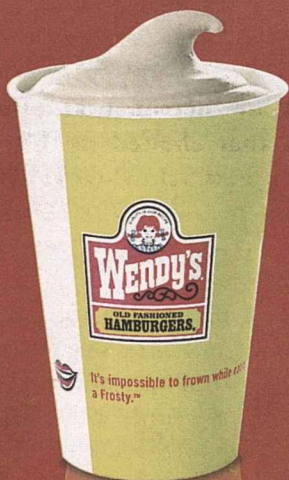




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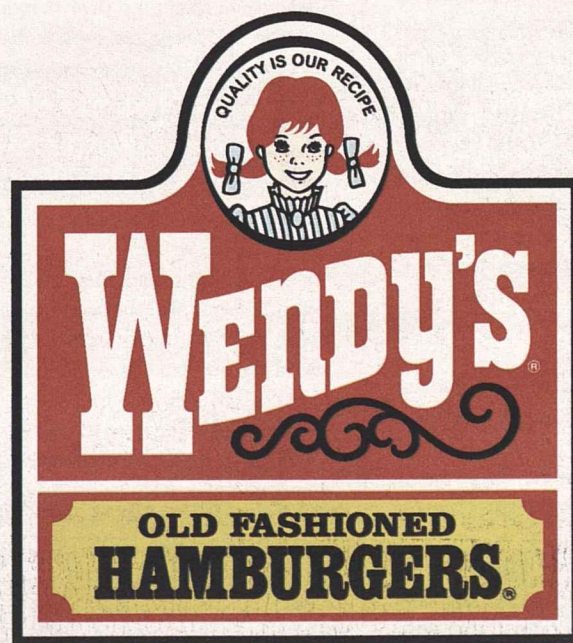
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# KEEPING SPIRITS HIGH

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The Hill; Howard's Rock; the cannon; "Tiger Rag"; 83,000 screaming Clemson fans — all pivotal parts of the most exciting 25 seconds of college football. But what's missing?

Well, you'd have to be blind to miss the gigantic orange clouds towering over the east end zone.

The release of balloons as the team tears down the hill is a long-time Clemson tradition, dating back to at least the early 1970s. But what goes into such an electrifying moment?

Brad Schneider, a senior accounting major, heads the pep rallies and balloons committee of Central Spirit, the organization in charge of the balloon release.

Schneider said a couple of days before a game, the helium will arrive and be set up in tanks inside the stadium. On Friday afternoon, a group of

approximately 30 to 40 Central Spirit members assemble the nets that hold the balloons, a process Schneider said takes only 15 to 20 minutes.

On an average game day, Central Spirit members arrive in the stadium three to four hours prior to kickoff. There, 150 people spend one and a half to two hours inflating the balloons, tying them off and stuffing them into the nets. "It's organized chaos... It sounds like it should go faster, but we only have 30 tanks going at a time," Schneider said. "The best part is when we finish off and tie it up, people like walking them down to the field because you get to go onto the field before the game. You get to rub the rock and go down the hill."

Greg Gobat, a sophomore architecture major, said the fun in the task makes up for the early morning. "Though everyone grumbles about being up so early, and many often trudge in looking as if they've just rolled out of bed, there always seems to be a great atmosphere," he said. "Depending on how many nets we plan on doing that day, we are usually done within an hour or two.

On a big game day, we always opt to have more nets to have a more dramatic release."

By the end of the season,

approximately 50,000 balloons will have been released from Death Valley. Schneider said the largest release so far was for the Miami game, in which 12,000 balloons were released. "We're gonna be doing at least that much for South Carolina," he said.

One game-day balloon release costs between \$1,300 and \$2,500, which is paid for by Central Spirit's student government allotment. "It gets up there, but it's still pretty reasonable for how much exposure it brings to Clemson," he said.

That exposure has drifted all the way down to Jacksonville, Fla., where the Jacksonville Jaguars were looking to put on their own balloon release for their military appreciation game last Sunday. Schneider said the Jaguars contacted the Clemson athletic department to seek advice. "They said Clemson's the only one they knew of that did it, so it's something that's very unique to us," he said. "They even asked if we had a production company do it."

Gobat said it's a testimony to the students' work. "It really says something great about the way we do things, especially considering that our organization is almost 100 percent student-run," he said.

Not only has Clemson set the example for game-day balloon releases, it's already set a Guinness world record. For the Nov. 12, 1983 game against Maryland, 3,000 students filled and released 363,729 balloons, putting Clemson in the Guinness Book of World Records for the largest balloon release.

The phenomenal

tradition has not been without controversy, though. Schneider said attention was brought to the balloons' potential effects on the environment in 2005. Up to that point, balloons had individual strings tied to them and were released by crowd members. Since the strings had the most detrimental effect, the group began using nets to retain and release the balloons.

Schneider points to a group of students conducting a study on the balloons' environmental effects. In the group's initial animal testing, there were no detrimental effects on animals that chewed up bits of the balloons, and Schneider said the manufacturer promised the balloons are broken up in the environment within eight weeks.

Gobat feels many aren't aware of the work that goes into the balloon release or of Central Spirit in general. "I think a lot of people don't really realize how much effort and planning goes into the balloons," he said. "In terms of Central Spirit in general, I think that a lot of people lack the knowledge of our existence... I've had many people ask me how I got to be on the field for the game or how I get such great seats every time without waiting in lines or camping out overnight. I've done my best to spread the word on Central Spirit because the requirements to join and stay an active member really are quite easy, and it's a great group of people to spend time with.

"Who knows," he said, "maybe we could even get some students to help participate in some Jaguars balloon releases!"



# Finals week frenzy

Students share tricks of the trade for beating exams.

KATE RIPLEY  
STAFF WRITER

Finals week is coming, looming over students' heads like a dark cloud of stress. Although the massive amounts of final projects, papers and last minute "quizzes" can seem overwhelming, do not fear: a solution is at hand.

It's easy to turn into a frazzled mess during this time of year. However, The Tiger has collected a number of tips to help students cope and lower the amount of stress that comes with final exams.

The Academic Success Center provides a lot of help by offering free tutoring in the library, stress management workshops and helpful tips online. The last workshop on stress management of the semester will take place Dec. 1 from 6-7 p.m. in room 309 in Cooper library.

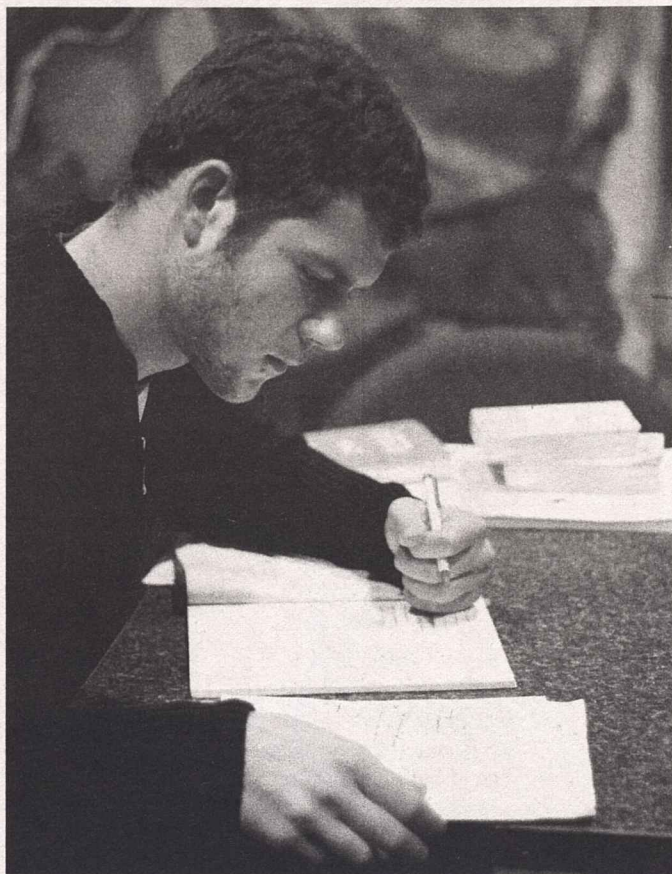
Their tips were very insightful and provided a wide range of thoughtful advice that is important to consider when taking on more stress than normal. These tips and other helpful services can be found on their website: <http://www.clemson.edu/asc>.

Leah Kelly, a senior French major, gave some advice to freshmen who will be undergoing finals week for the first time at Clemson. "Plan ahead, look a couple weeks in advance and gather all the information you need," Kelly said.

Kelly remembered her first exam week as a freshman and warns first years to not procrastinate studying or to put off writing important papers. "I waited until the last minute to study," Kelly said. "Since exams can be cumulative, it's a good idea to figure out what information would be beneficial to you."

Taking a freshman's perspective, Ted Angermeier, a general engineering student, provided advice as well. "I would say not to cram but to do something relaxing the night before," Angermeier said. "Get a good night's sleep and a good breakfast."

With these suggestions from trusted fellow Tigers, excellence seems possible for finals week 2010.



Senior Spanish major Paul Loats demonstrates good study habits.

## ASC Tips

**1** Take care of yourself. No all-nighters! You will function best if you get plenty of rest and eat something nutritious before your exam — not just a candy bar!

**2** Taking an exam on a scantron sheet? Make sure you have the correct form. Be sure to check every 10 questions or so to ensure you are putting the answer on the correct line.

**3** As you study, use the "study cycle." Set goals for what you want to accomplish for one hour. Concentrate and study to meet those goals. Take a 10-minute break and come back to review what you just studied. Repeat as needed for all your courses.

**4** Begin studying now — review every day and avoid last minute cramming.

# Greeks deck halls for needy

Holiday project helps local families and children and spreads Christmas cheer.



EDEN ARMSTRONG/Photo editor

Proceeds from "Deck the Halls" will benefit Clemson Community Care.

JACOB WEBB  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

This winter, fraternity and sorority life will present its inaugural "Deck the Halls" competition to help raise money for local charities and spread holiday spirit.

The money raised will go to Clemson Community Care, an organization whose mission is to "assist persons in difficult circumstances with necessities such as food, shelter and utilities and to help them become self-sufficient through educational programs and advocacy," according to Brian Lordi, the philanthropy chair of Alpha Sigma Phi.

Lordi explained "Deck the Halls" is a competition for the entire Greek system in which fraternities and sororities will work in teams in order to decorate a fraternity house, raise money through t-shirt sales and collect donations for a stuffed animal drive.

The money from the t-shirt sales and donations will go directly to Clemson Community Care while the stuffed animal drive is for the organization to provide Christmas gifts to children whose families cannot afford presents.

"This is our first time doing this event," Lordi said. "We are trying to stir up as much support as we can among the Clemson community as well as

looking for ways to get people excited about the charity event."

Each portion of the competition will be scored and weighed separately to determine an overall winning team. While "Deck the Halls" is a competition, it isn't the primary focus of the event. Sigma Kappa president Morgan Lee said she hoped the event would "spur some friendly competition" but noted "the decorated houses give the community some holiday spirit about which to be excited and also promote that these houses are homes for students, not just locations for social gatherings."

Lee attributed the initial idea for the campaign to the childhood memories of the brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi and said it was fleshed out by ideas of shedding positive light on the Greek community. It also fosters inter-community relations and provides a new event that promotes holiday spirit. While this year is the inaugural event, members of the Greek community hope the competition becomes a yearly event.

"I am totally looking forward to this event becoming a Clemson tradition and showing the community that Greeks love to get into the spirit of things, whether that is Clemson spirit, football spirit or holiday spirit," Lee said. She also noted that there are discussions about turning the event into a community-wide occasion.

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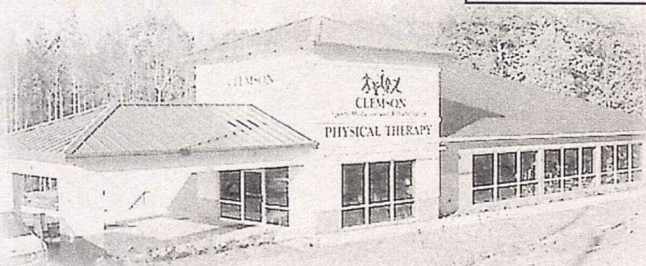
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any questions from those present. Attendees are encouraged to ask questions about the university and what will be happening in the near future.

"[The Town Hall is] more about creating an opportunity for members of the Clemson community to have a chance to ask their president questions and raise any concerns they may have," said Patrick Neal, student media advisor. Student Media is hosting the event, but the floor is open to anyone in attendance.

The event will be broadcast live on WSBF 88.1 FM Clemson and recorded by Clemson Television (CTV) for airing afterward, so those who cannot attend will be able to catch up on what was discussed. The Tiger Town Observer is also planning on reporting on the Town Hall.

"As Clemson strives to reach the Top 20 and remain a well-rounded university that provides a quality and valuable education to its students, it is important for all members of the community to have a clear and effective voice,"

said Drew Parkes, general manager of CTV.

The first Town Hall occurred last fall at the urging of President Barker.

The idea was formed at the annual dinner for Student Media leaders hosted by the Barker family, according to Neal.

Student Media has assumed the responsibility of putting the event together since.

As a forum of information for the Clemson community, this Town Hall falls in line with the values of Student Media.

"After all, informing the Clemson community about matters affecting the university and recording the history of Clemson from the student perspective is what Student Media is all about," Neal said.

The leaders of Student Media have encouraged all of their staff members to attend as well as the rest of the student body even if no questions come to mind.

"I've made sure that all of my staff will be there. I told them that even if they don't have a question, they should come," said Wes Watt, editor in chief of The Tiger Town Observer.



# Creationist creates controversy

Astrophysicist blends science and scripture in presentation.

**KELLEY NEWMAN**  
STAFF WRITER

A campus Christian organization sponsored a presentation on the theory of creationism on Nov. 10 in Tillman Auditorium.

The two-part presentation, "Answers in Genesis," was intended "to get people thinking about the underlying philosophical debate between evolutionary theory and a Christian belief system," according to Lee Sierad, president of the Clemson chapter of Cross Impact. "A Christian world view that believes in God is not given much thought in a classroom setting, so we wanted to show people that it is not just irrational religiosity but can be coherently defended," Sierad said.

Cross Impact invited Dr. Jason Lisle, an astrophysicist, to speak about creationism. "We heard about Dr. Lisle while we were at the Creation Museum in Kentucky during spring break this past year," Sierad said. "We then approached 'Answers in Genesis' about having Dr. Lisle speak at an event through our campus ministry because he often speaks to a varied audience and is used to engaging college audiences."

Dr. Lisle's presentation consisted of two parts. The first part, "The Relevance in Genesis," was directed toward people in the audience who consider themselves Christians yet don't necessarily have faith that creation can be effectively defended as a worldview.

John Zelenka was in attendance and thought Lisle's argument was one-sided, which he described as "dangerous."

"I think his research was focused on proving himself rather than looking at the big picture," Zelenka said. "I think he should look at the big picture and not try to force something."

During this half, Lisle said it doesn't make sense for Christians to not believe in creationism because it's written in the Bible and is inherently part of their faith. He encouraged the audience to return to Christian principles rooted in the book of Genesis and use them to defend their faith. Lisle said the foundation of Christianity is under attack and the keys to defend it properly are the principles in Genesis.

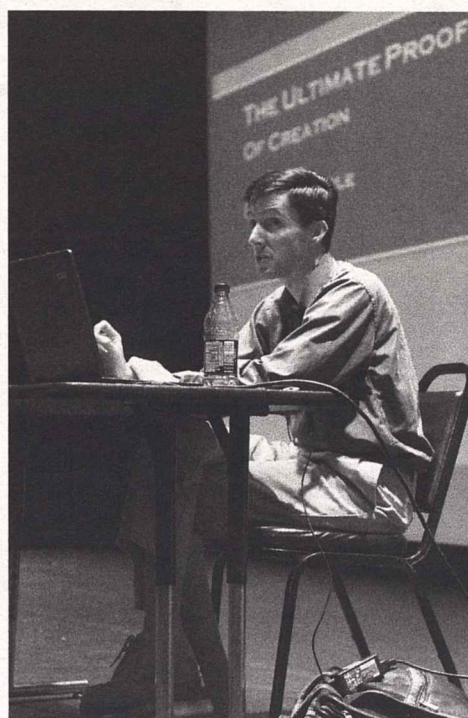
In the second part, "The Ultimate Proof of Creation," Lisle took a more scientific approach as he addressed skeptics and atheists in the audience who wouldn't ever go to church but might come to hear an astrophysicist talk about God and creation.

Before getting into this half of the presentation, Lisle made it clear his intentions weren't to convince or convert anyone. "I'm only here to give you an objective proof," he said.

Lisle then went on to say that only through a Christian worldview does it make sense how the world works. He drew examples from science, including DNA, carbon dating and fossils to demonstrate it's not the evidence that matters in this argument but rather how you interpret it.

Both evolutionists and creationists have the same facts to work with, but they manage to interpret those facts so differently that the dispute is really a debate over world views and presuppositions, he said, suggesting that the laws of logic, uniformity of nature and absolute morality we see in today's world only make sense with God's word as a foundation.

Some students did not find Lisle's argument objective. "He was a very good speaker, but I think his argument as a whole was very disingenuous, both scientifically and philosophically," said Manneli Berakhshani, a graduate student in theoretical physics.



Dr. Jason Lisle addresses the audience in the second half of his controversial presentation.

Berakhshani said Lisle criticized evidence suggesting the earth was billions of years old and said carbon-14 dating is "completely useless and unreliable." He believes Lisle should reformat his presentation to include a debate with a fellow astrophysicist, geologist or philosopher who specializes in religion and philosophy and is an atheist.

"He presented a broad range of arguments which very few people would really be capable of confidently criticizing if they didn't know, for example, the scientific evidence or philosophical arguments in any depth," he said.

## Democrats hold rally

Party hopes to return after mid-term losses.

**JACOB WEBB**  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The Clemson College Democrats will hold a rally titled "South Carolina Takes a Stand" on Nov. 29 in order to reenergize voters in the wake of the midterm elections.

Frank Holleman, a candidate for superintendent of education, will be speaking about the importance of public education, including issues such as keeping the tuition price of public universities low for students. Besides Holleman, other notable local Democrats will be speaking to students about how to stay politically active and seek positive change for the state after the election is over.

"It's important to reiterate to students that the political process isn't over and that the campaign for 2012 has already started," said Will Dukes, vice president of the Clemson College Democrats. "We want to show the good people of S.C. that we haven't given up. Democrats are here to stay, and we will continue to fight for important issues like education, health care and the middle class."

Dukes said he hoped the rally would be the beginning of a vibrant future for the organization. "South Carolina Takes a Stand" will be held at Tillman Auditorium on Monday, Nov. 29 from 6-9 p.m. Tickets are free for Clemson students and will be sold at the door for \$5 for non-students.

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# Public goes loco over Four Loko

**F**our Loko seems to be showing up in news daily. The high-alcohol energy drink has been linked to countless stories of intense drunkenness, especially among college students, and is even being banned in several states.

While Four Loko has existed for five years, it has recently become a topic of discussion at colleges and in statehouses nationwide. Many of these discussions heated up after a news story in late October showed the dangers of the highly alcoholic energy drink. The story came out of Washington state and chronicled the story of a college party that got out of hand. During the party, girls apparently started vomiting and becoming unresponsive.

A total of nine students were hospitalized that night, and the police that took them to the hospital believed they had ingested date rape drugs. But after tests were run, no traces of any drugs were found, just remnants of the Four Loko they had ingested.

Once this story became public, news outlets around the country ran with it, effectively teaching college students nationwide about Four Loko. The buzz around the drink has been nonstop since the story broke in Washington and several states, including Washington, have already moved to ban the drink.

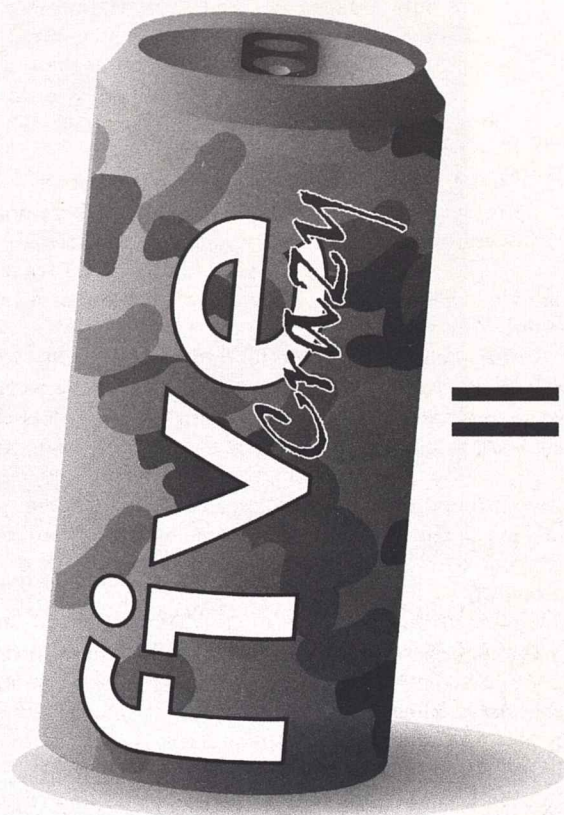
Four Loko combines a huge amount of alcohol — each can is 12% alcohol by volume, similar to the amount of alcohol in almost five beers — with the amount of caffeine in a cup of coffee. The drink is sold in individual cans and is usually found in gas stations and some grocery stores for as little as \$2.00 to \$2.50 per can.

Now you may think it is irresponsible to publish an article that only further tells people about Four Loko, but the truth is people need to know what is in the drink so they can make an informed decision about whether or not to consume it.

Since the profile of Four Loko has been raised, several states have already banned it due to its high alcohol content mixed with energy. Washington, Michigan, Utah, Oklahoma and now New York have all banned the drink, and others are considering it.

But we at The Tiger do not believe banning the drink is the best course of action; college students are going to find ways to mix energy drinks and alcohol whether Four Loko exists or not. What we need is more education on the effects of the drink and more disclosure from alcohol companies about what actually goes in their drinks.

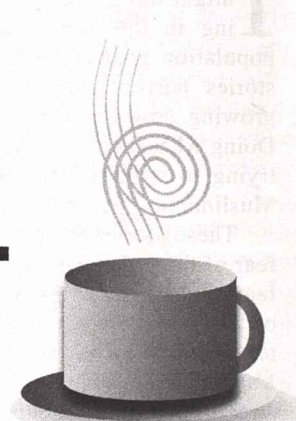
Mixing alcohol (a depressant) and caffeine (a stimulant) is dangerous and can lead to blackouts, higher alcohol consumption and even death. As you drink alcohol, your body feels the effects in a delayed reaction; the effects don't "hit" you until the alcohol enters your bloodstream. This makes the drinker sluggish and heavily affects motor skills. When you drink a stimulant like caffeine with alcohol, it can mask the depressant effects of the alcohol. This delays the drinker's perception of the alco-



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hol's effects, allowing them to drink more without feeling it; the drinker feels all the alcohol hit him or her at once, thus causing these widely-reported incidents.

Twelve percent alcohol by volume is dangerous when you can't feel the effects of that high alcohol content until later. The 12 percent alcohol content is also what draws college students to the drink, along with its low price. College students are always looking for a cheap and quick way to get intoxicated, and Four Loko is the answer for many people.

With the drink gaining nationwide notoriety, it is now a staple at college parties and can be seen in Clemson on a regular basis. But do students know what they are putting in their bodies?

The risks of mixing alcohol and caffeine are in no way addressed on Four Loko packaging. The drink looks like any generic energy drink and is clearly marketed to a young demographic. Obviously the 12 percent alcohol by volume is indicated on the can, but the alcohol content isn't the problem with the drink. The problem is the mix of alcohol and energy, which delays the effect of the alcohol.

The FDA released a warning to the makers of alcoholic energy drinks this week. They have concluded that the addition of energy to alcohol is an "unsafe food additive." Following a yearlong review, the FDA has decided the combination is a public health concern, and it is possible the government could seize the products if they continue to be produced.

Phusion Projects, the company behind Four Loko, announced its intention to reformulate the drink, removing the caffeine from the product. But whether this will be nationwide is unknown so far.

Alcohol packaging is irresponsible in general. These companies should not be

allowed to produce a product designed for ingestion without also disclosing ingredients and contents on the packaging.

If you go online to look at the nutritional content of Four Loko, you will quickly realize none of the listed information on any website is official; only some unofficial nutrition facts are listed, and even then ingredients are basically impossible to find. A quick look at the unofficial nutritional content of a can of Four Loko is an eye-opening sight; one can contains 660 calories according to [www.dailyburn.com](http://www.dailyburn.com).

Why aren't alcohol companies forced to show nutrition facts on packaging? Even water needs to have ingredients listed on its packaging. The answer is simple but unsettling: the FDA does not have full jurisdiction over alcoholic beverages because they are not technically food products. But when a product is designed to be ingested, it should be necessary to include nutrition facts.

Alcohol companies have an interest in keeping information off labels because most alcoholic drinks are not healthy at all. But nutrition facts are found on a limited number of light beers, such as MGD 64.

Adding the contents to the packaging of alcoholic drinks would help consumers know more about what is going in their bodies. Furthermore, if there are any extra risks to drinking a certain product (like the dangers of mixing alcohol with energy), a warning or explanation of the risks should be printed on the packaging. It is important for people to know these risks prior to consuming the product.

This ties into our belief that banning Four Loko is not the best way to deal with the increased risk of ingesting the drink. Officials at the University of Maryland have chosen to educate students on the risks of mixing alcohol with energy rather than

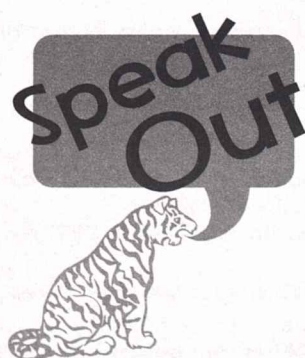
banning the drink on campus. If someone is warned of the risk and still chooses to abuse Four Loko, there is nobody to blame but the individual.

Banning the drink is definitely not the answer. Other alcohol products are just as damaging to the body and are abused at a high level. The University of Maryland reported there is no higher rate of alcohol-related incidents involving Four Loko than any other type of alcohol on campus. Hard liquor is just as dangerous, if not more so, than Four Loko. The alcohol content is often triple what is in Four Loko, but people are more educated and aware of how strong hard liquor is.

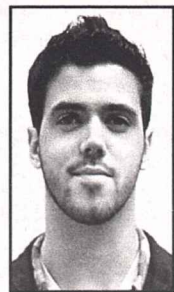
Clearly there needs to be more awareness of not only the high alcohol content in Four Loko but also the effects of mixing alcohol with energy. One can of Four Loko is not the same as having one can of beer; it is the same as having five cans of beer. Also, the effects of the alcohol in Four Loko are delayed, so it is not smart to drink more than one in a short period of time; this is where most people get into trouble. Education and awareness should be the course of action taken rather than banning it at schools and in states.

If people are aware of these facts, they can limit their use of Four Loko to safe levels. Drinking one Four Loko slowly allows your body to react to the chemicals and is the safest way to use the product. Just realize that every can has more calories in it than a Big Mac and, except for the manufacturer, nobody truly knows exactly what is in it.

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*Do you think that states should be able to ban Four Lokos? Why or why not?*

**Derek Mullen**

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"It should be up to the individual to drink responsibly. It's not the product's fault."

**Eric Orr**

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING sophomore

"If people know the dangers of the product, then they should have full responsibility for what happens to them."

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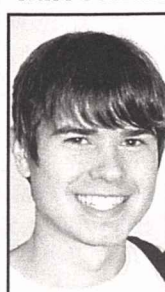
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"I think they should be able to ban it."

**Jeff Beyerl**

MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES graduate student

"They need to do more studies first."

**Karl Stefan**

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES junior

"I think it should be banned because it caused a higher rate of hospital visits and is more easily abused."



# Shedding light on Islam

JORDAN FAGAN

Columnist



If you have watched the news lately, you might have seen footage of Muslims praying in the streets or stories about their population growing at an extreme rate. These stories portray the Muslim community as a growing power slowly taking over the world. Doing what they do best, the media is yet again trying to strike up fear in people by painting Muslims in a negative light.

These stories are full of it. I understand the fear of the unknown, and I even understand the fear of change, but every time I see these pieces on the news, I want to throw something at the television. One piece in particular stated that Muslims are overrunning France, praying in the streets and receiving benefits other religious groups are not.

If groups of Muslims are praying in the streets, it is most likely not because they are trying to take over the world but because they are trying to show their pride in their religion and who they are. There is not always enough room in the mosques, so they end up spilling into the streets.

It is not because there are more Muslims

than everyone else, as some news stories have made it seem. The report in France stated that the Muslim community makes up about 10 percent of France's population. There are only about eight true mosques in France and somewhere between 1000 and 2000 mosques that consist of small buildings like flats.

Many people fear Muslims because they think every Muslim believes what extremist terrorist groups believe. Contrary to this belief, Islam is actually a very peaceful religion. Just like every religion, though, there are followers who do horrible things.

We have a tendency to fear what we do not know or understand and then grow to have negative emotions towards that entity, such as hate or mistrust. This is what leads to wars and acts of violence. Just look in your history books and I am sure you will see what I am talking about.

Remember when you were a kid? Everyone is scared of something when he or she is a child. But when you turned on the lights and saw the creepy shadow was just a pile of laundry or the noise that woke you up was your mom in the kitchen, you realized it was silly that you were scared in the first place.

The same principle applies here. When we take time to understand a group of people instead of judging them based on one example, we find out that we really shouldn't be so scared. Misunderstanding makes us hostile

towards others. This has been a recurring problem in the world and needs to be fixed.

Take World War II, for example. After Japan bombed Pearl Harbor, we put Japanese-Americans in camps out of fear. We later realized it was wrong, but at the time we saw it as completely justified. Maybe this time we can skip the paranoia and go straight to the understanding and acceptance.

I am not a naïve person who thinks the world is a bright place where nothing bad happens, and I understand there are always going to be people out there who want to hurt others for power out of fear or for a myriad of other reasons.

But fearing Muslims due to an irrational fear of them taking over the world is unacceptable, and certain media outlets can share some of the blame for using scare tactics to gain viewers.

Just because Muslims are praying in the streets does not mean they are taking over the world; it means they want to pray and express their freedom of religion, a freedom everyone deserves. Or they just need more mosques. How would you feel if someone told you your religion or way of life was wrong and that you needed to change or treated you poorly without even knowing you?

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## Hell on Earth: Auralog

EDUARDO HERNÁNDEZ

Columnist



I know having the most up-to-date technology is pretty impressive and it's necessary to keep with the times, but just because there's a fancy computer program that's been released on a subject doesn't mean that it's the solution to any issues in that department.

Yes, this is about Auralog, in case you didn't guess; before I go on, I should add that I am slightly biased because I had to sit in a hall in Daniel waiting on a computer for at least an hour because I had to finish three more sections of the assignment two days before it was due (no, I did not wait until the last minute... just the second-to-last one).

Perhaps I should start from the beginning.

When I was first put into my Spanish class, I was relieved that I was able to do my lab work on my own time rather than having a scheduled time to do it. I was not relieved when I found out it would be from a program called "Tell Me More."

Somehow the little bugger had followed me from high school. Damn.

I swallowed my suspicions, though, and went ahead and did the work, and I continued to work through it without much complaint. Well, without much more complaint than anyone else, anyway, because it's not like the work was difficult at all; it was just time-consuming.

But what bothered me was the extreme emphasis on saying words in the language and pronunciation.

I'm very curious as to how this program judges the pronunciation of the speaker — and it doesn't

help that, when I supposedly mispronounce a word, it doesn't tell me how to fix it. I'm sure the guy sitting next to me was wondering why on earth I was saying the sentence "No, gracias," over and over again in different tones and at different speeds. Because apparently of all the things I had to say, that was one of the few things I was required to repeat. A lot.

If you ask anyone in that course, I think you'll find that nobody can pronounce words correctly, and it doesn't really add up (of course, there's the possibility that I really am that bad and haven't figured it out yet...).

"Okay, so you hate it," the reader says, rolling his/her eyes. "What's your point?"

My point is this: the Auralog program doesn't actually accomplish much. That may even be too generous; with the long waiting time for a computer and minimal benefits, it is a waste of time.

I don't think that anyone out there actually recalls learning anything from it other than being told to go faster or to repeat words. It's not like we're told what the sentence is saying — which you could argue is okay as we should know quite a bit of the vocabulary — but we're never told why the words work in the sentence, nor do we get to figure out how to compose sentences like it on our own. It's not only annoying, it's also not all that useful. I'm not even getting into the bother it causes with the computer labs being crowded; I already told you I waited over an hour just for the chance to get on a computer in Daniel.

Moral of the story: new computer programs do not make everything better.

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## The value of food

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Columnist



While food may be technically considered a substance that is consumed to sustain life and give energy, it has traditionally meant a lot more than that. Society's views towards food have shifted throughout the years, but at the very beginning was a simple picture.

Family meals brought a sense of structure and comfort to people's lives. At the end of the day, one was expected to sit down at the dinner table to partake in a home-cooked meal. With that was also a sense of community; the meal would be prepared from ingredients found in the local markets or farms and perhaps even from the family's own garden.

Since then, most predominantly in developed countries, the role of food in people's lives has changed. Supermarkets and processed foods mean increased convenience, but some people grow removed and distant from food. Margarine has become an acceptable replacement for butter, and factory-made boxes of dried pasta have also become the norm. Parents who don't have the time to cook for their children turn to TV dinners and Lunchables. For some, it is easy to get caught up with the other aspects of life and see food merely as fuel for the body.

That isn't to say that everyone has developed such an unappreciative view of food — but perhaps it is fair to say it isn't uncommon. Recently, a new trend has developed. A renewed focus on the appreciation of good food has developed into a whole movement, but this new food culture has brought about less-than-desirable effects.

Foodies are typically amateurs who consider food to be a hobby with the ultimate goals of learning all there is to know about food and then in turn eating and enjoying it. Their interests can range from food industries to wine tasting, from finding the best restaurants in town to becoming an expert on one specific food item. They pride themselves on

the level of detail they go into when approaching any type of food.

Slowly but surely, the foodie culture has been established. Celebrity chefs, food programming and specialized kitchenware stores cater to the foodie population. The number of online communities that have sprung into existence is overwhelming. In addition to websites that focus on recipes and restaurant reviews, a countless number of food blogs have populated the Internet. Individuals analyze each specific dish they order at a restaurant, detail every step taken to prepare a dish and seek out the highest quality ingredients that vendors have to offer. Many food bloggers document their every meal with photographs and descriptions.

This all essentially boils down to one thing: the appreciation of good food. And yet, perhaps this intense focus on food reduces the value of the thing in question. In this new culture, too much attention is given to the small technicalities of food, dishes and meals. When such a high level of detail goes into analyzing each component of a dish, there is a danger of forgetting how much food can play a part in bringing people together. Certainly the progression from processed and convenient foods to higher quality and organic food is an improvement, but food is still treated as a mere source of fuel for the body.

There are few things in the world besides food that have the universal power to bring people together in a sense of community and family. The online food communities and blogs that have gained popularity in recent years are a good forum for those who are passionate about food to exchange ideas, but there is potential for people to get caught up in it all.

Overanalyzing a dish can take away from enjoying the food and shift attention away from the company at the dining table. The effort to quantify the enjoyment of food can border on the line of being counterproductive. In the quest for the perfect meal, may the power of food to uphold the values of family and community remain strong.

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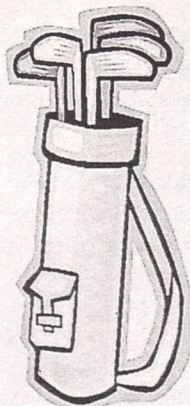
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# Correcting reckless ignorance

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Joseph Hendricks made a few narrow-minded and uneducated claims in his recent article "Hunting Calls." I wish to correct these misunderstandings and inform readers of the truth.

At the beginning of his article, Hendricks referenced an article originally published in "The Battle Creek Enquirer," which can now be viewed by anyone online at Yahoo! News. The referenced article is about a Michigan girl who went on a hunting trip with her father and felled a large black bear with a bow and arrow. Hendricks then proceeded to make several false accusations concerning hunting, hunters and society.

I quote Hendricks: "While the thrill of pursuit may be reason enough for some to bring about the demise of another living creature, it certainly seems unwarranted." Here Hendricks implies that the only reason this Michigan girl killed this bear was "the thrill of pursuit." If Hendricks had read the entire article, he would have seen that "[she] eats the animals she hunts, including the bear, and does not kill just for fun." An author ignoring such obvious facts loses his or her point and sounds unintelligent.

Hendricks also said, "In a world where pride is becoming increasingly superfluous, things that once seemed rich with tradition have become more about instant gratification than anything else." In this quote, one of the "things" Hendricks is referring to is hunting. The ignorance of this comment makes it clear that Hendricks is not aware of all that hunting entails. Hunting is about as far from "instant gratification" as one can get.

For those who are unfamiliar with the tradition, let me inform you. Prior to ever going hunting, one spends many hours of many days at the rifle range practicing shooting from different positions at targets from varying distances, sighting in scopes and practicing becoming a marksman. Each day spent practicing is ended by several hours of cleaning your rifle, your tool, inside and out. Once one becomes proficient and the season opens, most spend many early mornings and evenings enduring the elements before ever seeing an animal. If one were to find a buck, one must wait motionlessly until a clear shot is available. Sometimes he or she must watch a trophy buck walk by because no clear shot is presented. Instant gratification? I think not.

His third quote is along the same uninformed lines: "Hunting has become about nothing more than evoking a sense of power in an otherwise powerless life." First, I don't know how Hendricks can claim that our lives are powerless; thinking that is just beyond me. Secondly, hunting is not about evoking power into our lives but rather about tradition, virtue and enjoyment of the outdoors. I was taught how to hunt by my grandfather, who gave me his first rifle, which I now use. Hunting teaches important virtues, including practice, patience and perseverance. Finally, I doubt one can find a hunter who does not enjoy the outdoors or who does not wish to preserve habitats and wilderness areas.

The final quote I question is: "Nothing makes one feel better about himself or herself than bringing about the destruction of something else, regardless of the form it takes." This is an outrageous claim and certainly does not apply to the majority of the population, including most hunters. This is also an unreasonable claim that has no support in reality. Let me illustrate: if destruction was the ultimate satisfaction of humanity, we would not have such an outreach of love demonstrated by things like the Red Cross, mission

trips, disaster relief and animal shelters.

Hendricks' claim that hunters are destroying the environment is also extremely illogical. If hunters destroyed the environment, game species would die out and they could no longer hunt. Hunters are in fact good stewards of the environment and supporters of conservation. The National Wild Turkey Federation, Ducks Unlimited and Quail Unlimited are but a few of the organizations who support hunting and conservation. It is also notable that there have been great conservationists who were also hunters, including former president of the United States Theodore Roosevelt.

All of this is before mentioning that it is necessary to keep certain species' populations in balance. Some predator species, such as wolves, have been driven out of most of the country because they were dangerous to people and precious livestock. No matter the morality of that event, species such as deer and feral hogs are now left without many natural predators. If hunting does not regulate their populations, then there will be a large population spike followed by mass starvation as food sources are exhausted. This would also increase the number of pests moving into developed areas, causing property damage, and would also increase the number of car wrecks due to animals. Consequently, hunting has become a needed part of the food chain.

Joseph Hendricks made many outrageous and false claims concerning hunters, hunting and society at large. Self-fulfillment does not come from destruction. Hunting is in fact good and needed. Hunters are, in actuality, not pursuing power and instant gratification through the destruction of the environment but rather continuing a tradition rich in virtue and conservation.

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## Paws up

A Wisconsin man enraged by Bristol Palin's "Dancing with the Stars" routine shot his TV with a shotgun and caused a standoff with a SWAT team.

A brother and sister in England found a porcelain vase in their attic; it was discovered to be an artifact from the Qing dynasty and sold for \$85 million.

Someone hacked into an electronic road sign near Tucson, Ariz., and changed the text to read "Zombies Ahead."



More than 40 teams have entered the Quidditch World Cup in New York City.

Bill Clinton filmed a cameo in Thailand for "The Hangover 2."

Two Kentucky men shaved off a third man's beard and forced him to eat it after the three of them got into a heated argument involving a lawnmower.

South Carolina would have to beat Clemson for the next 27 years in a row to tie the all-time football rivalry series.

## Paws down

A topless woman found masturbating in a Red Roof Inn parking lot was arrested on a gun charge after police found a loaded 9 mm handgun in the car.



A home in Pennsylvania will be demolished because of a major rat infestation; the rats measure a foot deep in some places.

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Clemson, S.C.Tuesday 11/23  
Furman @ 7 p.m.  
Clemson, S.C.Sunday 11/28  
South Carolina State  
@ 2 p.m.  
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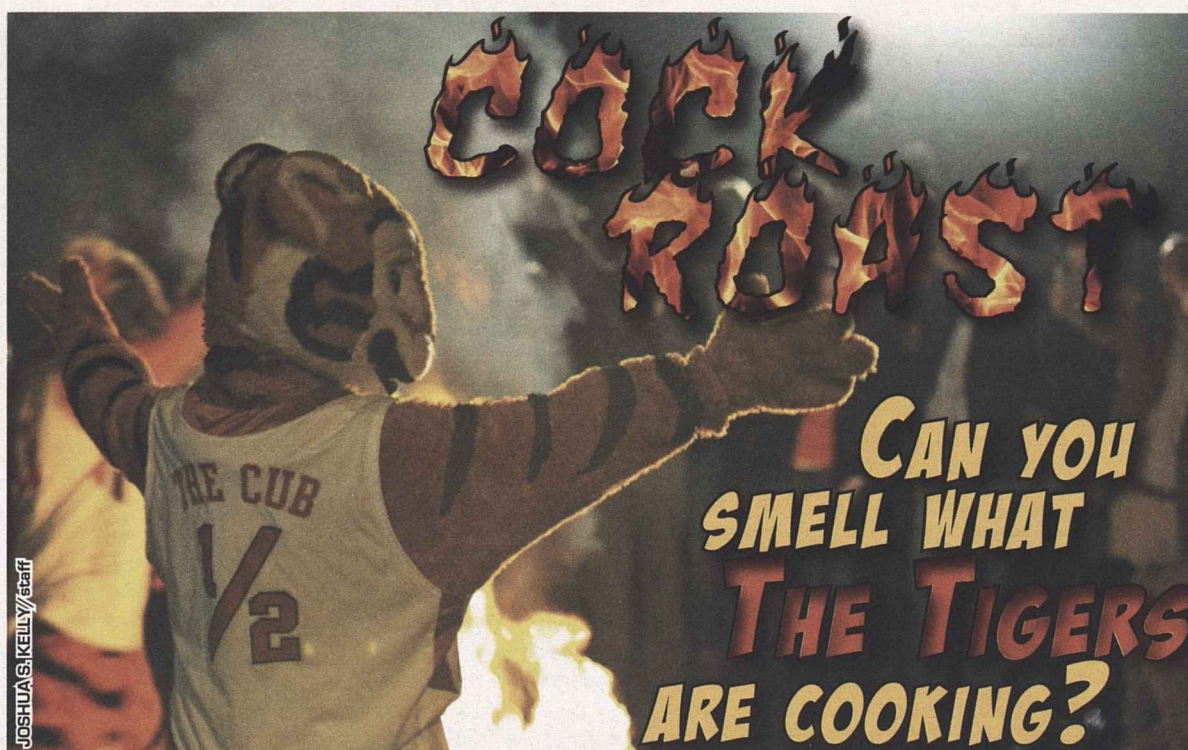
## VOLLEYBALL

11/13 • Virginia Tech  
Tigers 3-1 Hokies

## MEN'S BASKETBALL

11/12 • Western Carolina  
Tigers 87-64 Catamounts11/15 • Wofford  
Tigers 78-70 Terriers

## LADIES' BASKETBALL

11/12 • UNC Greensboro  
Tigers 71-55 Spartans11/14 • Charleston Southern  
Tigers 85-52 BuccaneersEMILY WHITE  
STAFF WRITER

A Gamecock Funeral. Is there a more satisfying concept?

On Friday, Nov. 26, the Student Alumni Council will host Cocky's Funeral in the amphitheater at 5 p.m. The event will serve as a precursor to the Clemson-South Carolina football game the following day.

The mock funeral of the USC mascot will begin with a pep rally featuring the Rallycats, Clemson cheerleaders and the Tiger. President Barker will also be making an appearance at the event to show his support for the football team as well as the student body as a whole.

"It is a great atmosphere that will excite the fans about the upcoming game," said Brittany Clinton, the co-chair in charge of the event. "I think it is a great way to pump up the fans for the game, but also it is a great tradition that is equally important to fans and students alike!"

You can be sure that numerous cadence counts will be had in addition to the playing of Tiger Rag. The Tiger Platoon will burn Cocky before laying him to rest in his casket while Colonel Sandy Edge reads the mascot's eulogy.

If you happen to be spending the holiday in Clemson or are heading back early for the big game, swing by the amphitheater sporting your orange and a game day piece of mind.

Mountain bikers battle  
Clemson trail at nightAUSTIN FINLEY  
STAFF WRITER

This past Saturday in the mountainous terrain of the Clemson Experimental Forest, mountain bikers from across the South came together for the second annual Red Bull Night Shift hosted by Clemson Freeride. Riders that qualified for the night competition traversed the downhill course with little more than their headlamps to light their way. Wilson Sansbury, a recent Clemson graduate, won the event.

Jonathan Howlette founded Clemson Freeride fall 2006. The downhill trail used at the Night Shift event was initially constructed in spring 2007. The course includes several berms, tabletops and even a creek gap. For the night shift event, the Clemson Freeride members built a new 10-foot gap and 25-foot drop to spice things up along with a brand new wall ride.

The course is well-respected by riders, so much so that Red Bull representatives contacted Clemson Freeride hoping that the club would host Red Bull's second annual Night Shift competition. Clemson Freeride was more than happy to host the event, and members of the club worked countless hours on the downhill course in preparation for the competition.

Approximately 30 riders raced in the afternoon qualifiers. Each rider was allowed two runs down the course. The top time for each rider was recorded, and the top 24 riders advanced to the night competition. In the night ride, the 24 amateur riders raced against each other and also against Shaums March, a professional biker and two-time Masters World Downhill Champion.

Wilson Sansbury edged out Matt Griffin for the best run of the night, finishing the course in 1:27. Griffin, also a Clemson graduate, finished in second place with a time of 1:27.5. Shaums March, who flew in from Van-

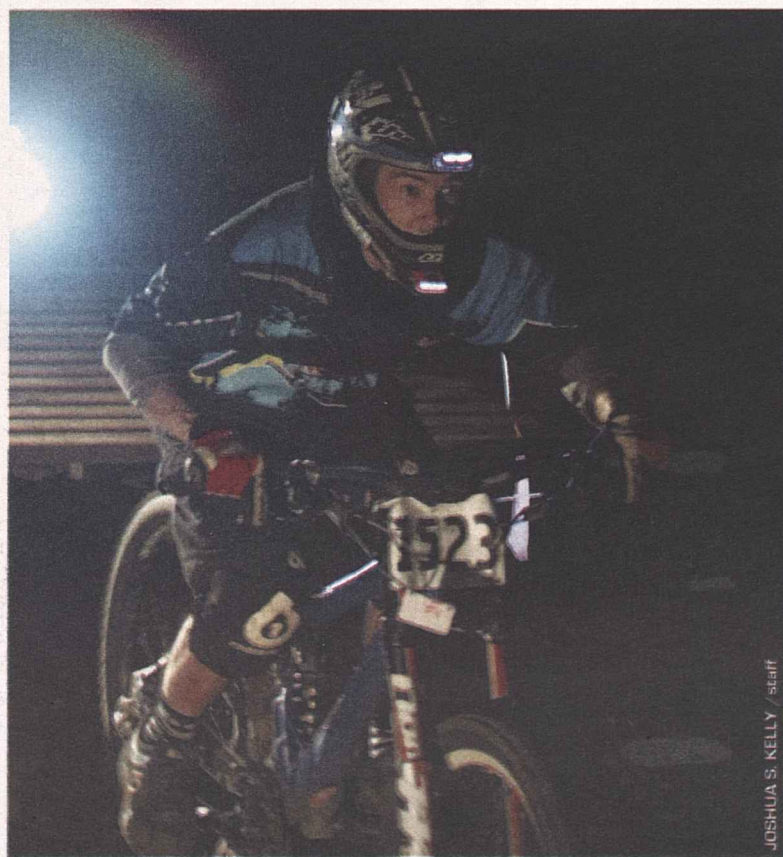
couver for the event, finished in third place, and Elon University freshman Max Morgan took fourth place. Morgan was awarded the third place prize since Shaums March is a professional rider.

Sansbury was pleased with the event and with the Clemson Freeride club as a whole. "It's good to see the club advance like this," he said. "A good portion of the club graduated last year. It's great to see events like this. The freshmen have done a great job, and it's really great to see."

Clemson Freeride would like to thank Red Bull as well as all of the volunteer firemen and EMS personnel that helped make the competition

a rousing success. There were two injuries at the event, but both individuals in question, after being helped out by EMS, were able to get back to the course before the competition was finished.

Clemson Freeride will host their fifth annual spring downhill race on March 5, 2011. This race, known as Tiger Down, is open to riders of all levels. Last year's race drew in record numbers with over 160 racers, and Clemson Freeride hopes to do even better this year. For more information on the upcoming race or the club, visit www.clemsonfreeride.com or e-mail ride@clemson.edu.



Drew Barringer of Charlotte, N.C., was one of 24 riders who qualified to take on the Clemson mountain bike trail after dark on Saturday.

A Tiger's  
Last RoarRyan  
Launius  
columnist

Sitting on a couch in my basement almost four years ago, I toyed with the idea of writing an article for The Tiger. The Major League Baseball season was fast approaching, and the long, leisurely days of my spring break were like an unseen force pushing me toward putting my ideas down on paper. After numerous hours of work, my first article was complete.

It wasn't the best piece. In fact, whenever I stumble across my original article in the recesses of my closet, I'll pull it out and find it riddled with mistakes I no longer make. Despite the imperfections, I was asked to join The Tiger's sports staff as a weekly contributor.

Elated about the opportunity to write sports for a college newspaper, I called my dad to tell him the good news. It was then that he gave me the best advice a father can give a fledgling journalist: "Have fun with it."

Almost four years and over 100 articles later, I can proudly state that I followed my dad's advice. As I climbed the ranks from staff writer to assistant sports editor and later sports editor, much of the success I experienced as a writer was solely due to the attitude with which I approached every article. The trick was merely finding something I had a passion for and writing about it.

To be honest, becoming a sports-writer never crossed my mind when I first came to Clemson. While it may be a goal or dream for many, I stumbled across my accidental hobby through nothing more than dumb luck.

As a bioengineering major, my work for the paper has nothing to do with the career path I will pursue. Instead, writing sports consistently provided me with an excuse to close my textbooks and catch a game. Covering a broad range of athletics, I found an outlet that allowed me to express my passion for sports while developing a voice as a writer.

Being a December graduate gives me a unique perception towards the imminent end of my stint as a college student. Feeling the time slip away with every drop in temperature has a way of leaving behind a bitter taste of unfinished business. But when I think about all the things I have done during my time at Clemson, one would be hard-pressed to find someone who has found more happiness while attaining a higher education.

To put a number on the amount of football, basketball and baseball games I have attended since coming to Clemson seems pointless. I lost track somewhere around sophomore year, and at this point they all just run together with the highest highs and the lowest lows being most apparent in my memories.

When I first came to Clemson, Charlie Whitehurst was a dark-horse Heisman candidate in his senior season, Willie Korn was the quarterback of the future, and we had a basketball player that everyone lovingly called "Steve the Pirate." Our football coach

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# 'Noles kick Tigers' hopes away

Red zone problems cost Tigers again as Florida State drains a 55-yard field goal as time expires.

**BRETT MILLS**  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

There will be no ACC championship game for Clemson this season. The Tigers saw their last gasp chances of defending last season's Atlantic Division title vanish the moment Florida State kicker Dustin Hopkins' 55-yarder sailed through the uprights.

It seemed improbable that Hopkins would be able to make such a long kick with the game on the line (he had pushed a 40-yarder wide right as time expired last week against North Carolina), but he left no doubt Saturday night. His game winner — which would have been good from 65 yards out — lifted the Florida State Seminoles (7-3, 5-2) to a 16-13 victory over Clemson and dealt Dabo Swinney's Tigers their fourth conference loss.

Now at 5-5 on the year, Swinney's men are fighting just to reach bowl eligibility.

"Give Florida State credit," Swinney said after the game. "They made some big plays in the second half to give themselves a chance to win there at the end of the game and made a long kick. You have to tip your hat to them."

"They found a way to win," he said. "It's certainly is awfully disappointing to move the ball the way we did up and down the field and not win the game."

No doubt Swinney and Clemson's other coaches and players left Doak Campbell Stadium feeling as though they deserved to win. After all, they had absolutely dominated the line of scrimmage all night long, outgaining the Seminoles in total yards (391-307) and rushing yards (152-97), and maintained a seven-minute advantage in time of possession.

And when one delves deeper into the stats, the loss becomes even more frustrating. Quarterback Kyle Parker finished 28-of-44 for 239 yards, while freshman receiver DeAndre Hopkins tallied 106 yards on eight grabs. Running back Jamie Harper also had a career night. The junior back rushed 27 times for a career-high 143 yards and a touchdown and also caught nine passes for 54 yards.

So what happened? To quote Dabo Swinney: "How do you lose a football game like that?"

Simply put, by blowing scoring opportunities again and again and again. Clemson reached the red zone four times against Florida State but only had six points to show for it.

Two more missed field goals by Chandler Catanzaro certainly didn't help matters, but the problems run much deeper than that. Zero touchdowns in four red zone tries. A team that gets the ball inside their opponent's 20-yard line four times and fails to score a single touchdown has absolutely no case in saying they deserved to win.

These red zone woes have plagued Clemson for much of the season. In their 16-10 loss to Boston College, they had zero touchdowns to show for three red zone trips. They started 0-for-3 against N.C. State as well, but two second-half touchdowns alleviated their troubles somewhat. All in all, they have scored just four touchdowns in their last 19 trips to the red zone. Add in a mere 15 points off five field goals and that leaves 10 possessions in which the Tigers have come up completely empty from less than 20 yards out.

Two of those occasions came Saturday night against the Seminoles. Jamie Harper scored Clemson's lone touchdown with a 26-yard scamper on the game's opening possession, but things went downhill from there for Billy Napier's offense. After a Hopkins field goal made the score 7-3, Kyle Parker guided the offense down the field before stalling at Florida State's 12-yard line. Chandler Catanzaro then lined up to attempt a 34-yard field goal, but his effort was low and Nigel Bradham blocked it.

However, the real gut punch came on the first play of the fourth quarter. Clemson was leading 10-6, and with Da'Quan Bowers and the defense dominating, a touchdown most likely would have put the game away.

Facing second-and-seven from the 11-yard line, Kyle Parker went for that kill shot and lofted a fade pass to DeAndre Hopkins in the left corner of the end zone. But Hopkins lost his footing, and Seminole defensive back Xavier Rhodes capitalized with an easy interception that led to Florida State's first and only touchdown of the game.

What makes that back-breaking interception even more maddening is the fact that an offense that has struggled to throw the ball all year had no business dialing up a low-percentage fade pass on second-and-seven, especially since Jamie Harper had gashed a worn-down Seminole defense all the way down the field.

When it mattered most, Swinney and Napier went away from the strengths of the offense, and they paid a high price.

It certainly doesn't seem fair to a defense that played its heart out. Before allowing the late touchdown drive and enabling



Dabo Swinney's team has struggled in the red zone this season and failed to score a touchdown in four red zone trips Saturday.

Florida State to set up their last-second field goal, they had put on a near-flawless performance in shutting down a prolific Seminole offense.

Florida State finished the game with 97 rushing yards on 30 carries, well below their season average of 196 yards per game. In addition, the Seminoles had been held under 300 yards just twice in their last 22 games, and Clemson had accomplished that until their final drive pushed FSU's total up to 307.

Kevin Steele's men yielded just one touchdown to the Seminoles, their fifth one given up in as many games.

"They've really done a good job of keeping people out of the end zone," Steele said. "You've got to hold them to less than what they get."

And with the way the offense and special teams are performing, the defense will have to keep up that stellar performance for Clemson to have a chance at winning their last two games. The Tigers travel to Winston-Salem next week to take on a struggling Wake Forest team that represents their last chance to earn a victory on the road.

"We've got to move on and try to get bowl eligible next week," Swinney said. "We've got a game on the road, and we have to try and get bowl eligible and finish up strong at home. This one will test us, but I have a lot of faith, and faith is believing when you don't understand why certain things happen. We have to rely on that in the coming days."



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# TIGERS DOMINATE WESTERN, HOLD OFF WOFFORD

JAY INGLES  
SPORTS EDITOR

Clemson opened the Brad Brownell era in winning fashion this past week by downing two Southern Conference opponents in four days. The Tigers blew by Western Carolina Friday night and held off Wofford on Monday to move to 2-0 early in the season.

Clemson jumped out to a 20-point halftime lead and cruised to an 87-64 win against Western Carolina in Brownell's debut. Sophomore Devin Booker led the way for the Tigers with a career-high 16 points and seven rebounds, evoking memories of older brother Trevor in the process. Milton Jennings tied a career high with 14 points off the bench and was a perfect six-for-six from the free throw line.

Tanner Smith chipped in 12 points and seven rebounds, and Andre Young added 10 points, all in the first half. Demontez Stitt,

Clemson's leading returning scorer, scored seven points in limited playing time. Stitt was in foul trouble for much of the game and only played 12 minutes.

Freshman Trey Sumler led the Catamounts with 16 points in just 16 minutes off the bench. Harouna Mutombo had 12 points and five rebounds, and Mike Williams notched 10 points and five assists.

The win against Wofford didn't come as easily. The Tigers led by as many as 15 points early in the second half, but the Terriers battled back with three-pointers and free throws and cut the lead to as few as six points in the final minute. Clemson was able to make enough free throws down the stretch to stave off the Wofford rally and grab a 78-70 win.

Clemson boasted five double-figure scorers in a balanced offensive attack. Despite spending much of the game on the bench because of foul trouble, Jerai Grant led the Tigers with 13 points and six

rebounds. Stitt tied a career high with six rebounds and also had 12 points.

Young and Jennings each scored 11 points, and Booker added 10. Smith had three steals to lead a Clemson defense that forced 17 Wofford turnovers.

Wofford forward Noah Dahman, one of four seniors in the Terriers' starting lineup, led all scorers with 17 points. Brad Loesing scored 14 points, and Cameron Rundles had 10.

Clemson improved drastically from the free throw line from the first game to the second. After shooting just 54.3 percent against Western Carolina, the Tigers shot 73.3 percent from the stripe against Wofford, including five-of-six shooting by Young and a perfect four-for-four by freshman Cory Stanton.

The Tigers shot a combined 56 percent from the field in the first two games. As a team, they are shooting nearly 36 percent from

behind the three-point line, with Young leading the way with a fiery 67 percent mark.

One problematic trend for Clemson in the first two games was the inability to stay out of foul trouble. Grant's playing time was limited by fouls in both games, and he has yet to see at least 20 minutes of action.

Stitt played very little in the first game after picking up multiple fouls early, and Smith, along with Grant, fouled out in the second game. The Tigers simply don't have the depth, especially in the frontcourt, to overcome foul trouble once they start facing tougher competition.

Western Carolina and Wofford were two of the top teams in the Southern Conference last season. The Catamounts are coming off their first 20-win season since entering Division I four decades ago.

The Terriers won the conference championship and nearly upset fourth-seeded Wisconsin in the

first round of the NCAA Tournament.

The maturation of Clemson's sophomore class will be a huge factor in whether the Tigers are successful in Brownell's first season at the helm. Booker needs to continue to be a physical presence inside, and Jennings has to keep gaining confidence. Noel Johnson will have to step up and provide some scoring off the bench to take some of the pressure off the Tigers' other guards.

Clemson travels to the Virgin Islands this weekend to take part in the Paradise Jam. The eight-team field also includes Xavier, Iowa, Alabama, Seton Hall, Saint Peter's, Old Dominion and Long Beach State.

The Tigers will face Long Beach State in the opening round on Friday at 3:30 p.m. Clemson also faced the 49ers in an early season tournament last year, earning an 87-79 win in the second round of the 76 Classic in Anaheim, Calif.



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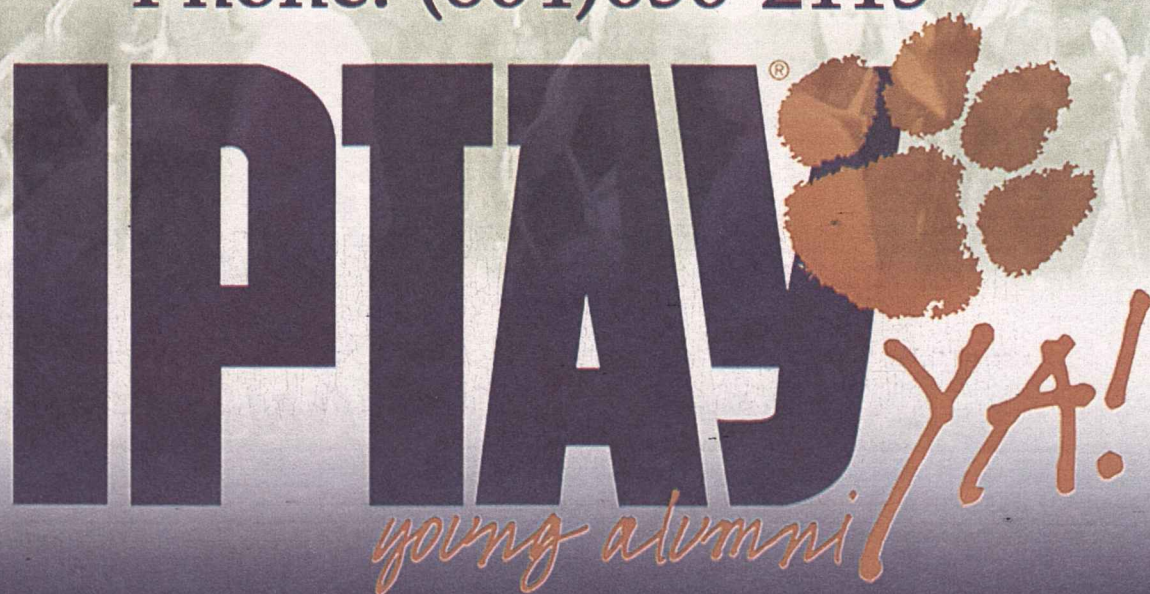
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# NFL MIDSEASON REPORT

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On a weekly basis, one of the most pressing questions of my Sunday afternoons is what to do during halftime. The game is put on hold, highlights of other games are run that I've already seen four times on NFL.com, and the 15 to 20 minute break drags on. But as much as I hate the stoppage in play, halftime allows us (and especially the coaches and players) to look back on what they expected to see before the game started, compare that to the actual results and then make adjustments.

With the NFL's 10th week behind us, we've reached that crucial mid-way point in the NFL season and, as is customary with the halftime tradition, we look back at the original game plan and what we expect our halftime adjustments to be:

## Draft Talk Starts Early for Ex-Super Bowl Contenders

Seven of the eight division winners from last year are not leading their divisions through the first 10 weeks of the season. The only division winner from last year still with a division lead in 2010 is Indianapolis. This is especially strange since Indy has been labeled a disappointment on defense by many and is facing huge injury issues on offense. This speaks greatly of the parity in the NFL, and it doesn't mean that this will be the way it plays out in the end.

Furthermore, of the seven divisions with new leaders, five of the defending champs in those divisions are now in the bottom half of their divisions (Cincinnati, Dallas, Minnesota, Arizona and San Diego).

## Loaded Off-Season Stories Turn Out to be Duds

Never during an off-season has the NFL been so prevalent as it has been during the past few Brett Favre-saturated seasons, and after all the fanfare and the great one's return, the Minnesota Vikings are now irrelevant. Also gaining this distinct honor are the Cincinnati Bengals who, besides having one of the most talented and reality TV-friendly offenses in the NFL, are now looking at the possibility of drafting a quarterback in the 2011 draft. Who saw that coming?

## Helmet-to-Helmet Hits Could Concuss 2011 Season

This year we've seen a tremendous amount of attention paid to helmet-to-helmet hits and other penalties that put the player's personal health at risk. In addition to fines being handed out, there has also been a movement by the league toward the treatment of concussion-based injuries. What does this mean? Look out during the off-season when the current Collective Bargaining Agreement ends between the owners and the NFL Players Association. It will be interesting to see how changes in league rules affect the players' willingness to hold out, putting the 2011 season in jeopardy.

## A tip of my hat to....

The Oakland Raiders, Kansas City Chiefs, Chicago Bears, New York Giants and Michael Vick. The Raiders and Chiefs have made tremendous strides from being perennial bottom-dwellers to being significant halfway through the season. It won't last (see: '09 Chargers' winning streak, Al Davis/Jason Campbell), but watch out for these teams the rest of the season. Dwayne Bowe and Matt Cassel have been red-hot lately, and pairing that with the Chiefs' running tandem, this team looks like a legit contender.

I tip my hat to the Bears for managing to be on top in a division where they are significantly outmatched on paper. One of the most under-publicized moves in the off-season was the Bears' acquisition of defensive end Julius Peppers, but his value can't be overstated in a franchise built on defense.

The Giants get a tip of my hat for quietly taking control of a division that was saturated with media hype for teams like the Cowboys and Redskins. While hype is just hype, kudos to a team for proving everyone wrong.

And finally, to Mike Vick: I hate you for what you did; it was sick and wrong on so many levels. That being said, I love you for what you did after the fact.

You admitted your guilt, took your lumps, worked hard and reminded us why we love to watch you on Sundays. Thank you for helping people realize that we all deserve a second chance. And, you've become a better quarterback to boot.

## My Predictions for the Second Half:

### NFC

East: Philadelphia Eagles – Look out for more quarterback controversy along the way, but Dallas is done. Washington is not a playoff team, and Hakeem Nicks can't keep up his ridiculous production for the Giants.

North: Green Bay Packers – A team plagued by injuries will readjust the game plan, and Aaron Rodgers will make a case for MVP. God, that guy can throw the ball.

South: New Orleans Saints – Atlanta is good, but I'm not sold yet. The Saints should have won their first meeting, and I think they will win the second. Also, the Saints' defense is coming around.

West: Seattle Seahawks – While this pains me to write as a Rams fan, no other team in the division can compete at this point, and the Rams are just too young.

Wild Cards: NY Giants/Atlanta Falcons – The Bears are not a shut-down defense, and their offense isn't balanced enough to keep them afloat long enough to get a playoff birth.

### AFC

East: New England Patriots – Tom Brady made the Steelers defense look slow without Randy Moss. The two youngsters, Aaron Hernandez and Rob Gronkowski, give the Pats two dual-threat tight ends. Meanwhile, the young, quick Patriots defense looks reloaded and ready to burst onto the NFL scene.

North: Pittsburgh Steelers –

The offense will score points, and the defense will stop opposing offenses. This team is just really good. Watch out, though, if Hines Ward continues to have injury problems.

South: Indianapolis Colts – Have you heard of their quarterback Peyton Manning? He could win games with any WR corps in the NFL. Yup.

West: Kansas City Chiefs – There is balance in the offense (at least on paper), and the defense has been able to keep them in games. The problem is the Chiefs started 4-0 and now are 5-4.

Wild Cards: NY Jets/Baltimore Ravens – While I almost put the Titans here, their schedule has them facing the Colts twice in their remaining games, which should push them out of contention.



STEPHANE REY / staff

## ROAR from page C1

was Tommy Bowden, and Oliver Purnell had just begun his process of turning around a basketball program that was best defined as inept.

While I never saw a Tiger team make it to the promised land of a national championship, Clemson reached many milestones during my time as a student. I watched the Tigers take the ACC Championship and make it to the College World Series in baseball during my freshman year. They also managed to make an improbable run to the semifinals during the last season of Rosenblatt Stadium.

I stood on Bowman Field in awe of Clemson's first visit from College GameDay and, later that night, watched James Davis and C.J. Spiller introduce "Thunder and Lightning" to the rest of the nation.

I sat on the edge of my seat when the Tigers downed the Hurricanes in overtime on the road and showed up outside of the West Endzone hours after the game so I could high-five the players as they shuffled off the buses.

I vividly remember my hands shaking with anticipation and thinking the clock couldn't move fast enough when Clemson led against Duke in the ACC Tournament semifinals. I also remember the sigh of relief and subsequent celebration with friends

as the clock hit zero, allowing the Tigers to advance to their first ACC Championship game since 1962.

Then there was a guy by the name of C.J. Spiller. I had the fortune of watching all four years he spent as a Tiger. From his cutback runs to the returns that spanned the length of the field, every time I watched Spiller touch the ball, I knew in my heart that Clemson would never again see an athlete of his caliber. His four touchdowns against Georgia Tech during the football team's first appearance in the ACC Championship game will never be forgotten.

Writing for The Tiger has given me countless opportunities to be closer to the Clemson teams that I love. I have gotten to know the coaches and jumped at the opportunities to interview players that are one day bound for the top leagues of their respective sports. I have sat courtside for huge basketball games and in the press box for football games. I even had the improbable opportunity of enjoying a backstage view of College GameDay when we visited Auburn this season.

But all the perks in the world could not even begin to compare with the fortune that I stumbled upon through building relationships with the other students who work for The Tiger. From the senior staff down to the unpaid staff writers, the individuals who create this paper are some of

the most accepting, genuine and interesting people I have ever had the pleasure of getting to know.

As time goes on and college becomes a fading memory, I will always look back fondly and remember the long nights that we spent making this paper. Although there have been tense and sometimes frustrating moments, we always managed to get the paper out while sharing the same sense of accomplishment through teamwork.

Although this is my final article that will be printed in The Tiger, I assure you that I will pick up an issue on Friday and feel my heart skip a beat with the same sense of giddiness that it did four years ago. It never gets old.

But do not take that as a statement of vanity. I have never cared whether people recognize me from my articles. When I see my name in print, I take pride in my writing and the knowledge that someone somewhere is reading the article I put so much effort into.

So to anyone who has picked up a paper in the last four years and managed to even glance across one of my articles, thank you for making my heart skip a beat. Thank you for keeping this great newspaper alive. But most of all, thank you for making Clemson the amazing university that it is.

Go Tigers!

## Staff Pick-em

Nebraska @ Texas A&M	Ohio St. @ Iowa	Arkansas @ Mississippi St.	Virginia Tech @ Miami	Florida St. @ Maryland	Wisconsin @ Michigan	N.C. State @ UNC	Utah @ San Diego St.	Clemson @ Wake Forest
Ryan (53-37)	ATM	VT	VT	VT	VT	VT	VT	VT
Brett (57-33)	N	VT	VT	VT	VT	VT	VT	VT
Aaron (55-35)	ATM	VT	VT	VT	VT	VT	VT	VT
Vegas (64-26)	N	VT	VT	VT	VT	VT	VT	VT



# FANTASY FOOTBALL: WEEK ELEVEN!

There are a lot of things men can do with their free time. Fantasy football is better than all of them.

**RYAN DONNELLY**  
STAFF WRITER

It's that time of year again. For normal people, it's the time of year when school is out, the family is together and the best meal of the year is served. For fantasy football nerds like myself, it's the time of the year when the moves are made that will make or break your season.

Whether it's key start 'em/sit 'em decisions, waiver wire additions or trades, it's time to look forward to the playoffs and figure out how to put yourself in the best position to win your league. So, without further ado, here are some players I'd recommend starting and sitting, some I'd pick up, some I'd drop and some trade insight for Week 11.

(Note – This list of players was created to help fantasy owners decide between players that are on the proverbial bubble. Just because Peyton Manning, Aaron Rodgers, Tom Brady, Chris Johnson, Adrian Peterson, etc., won't be on the "start 'em" list doesn't mean I don't think they're starters. Those are the type of players that you should never sit regardless of the matchup. My goal is to help people decide between those four or five players that could all be either in the starting lineup or on the bench.)

## Start 'Em

**Mark Sanchez**, Jets vs. Texans – If you own Sanchez, he's probably one of two quarterbacks that you have been starting based on matchup. Well, this should be a Sanchez week with a sweet matchup at home against the Houston Texans and their 32-ranked pass defense.

**Eli Manning**, Giants @ Eagles – The Eagles' defense makes big plays, but it also gives up big plays (Kenny Britt, anyone?). This should bode well for Manning, especially since the Giants will most likely have to throw

a lot in order to keep up with Michael Vick and the potent Eagles offense.

**Vince Young**, Titans vs. Redskins – Mike Shanahan will probably get the Redskins to play their hearts out following that embarrassing loss at home on Monday Night Football. That still doesn't change the fact that the 'Skins defense ranks 31st against the pass and tends to give up big plays. I like Young this week.

**Ryan Matthews**, Chargers vs. Broncos – The Chargers have not received the type of performance they expected when they spent their first round pick on Ryan Matthews. However, a sizable part of that is due to the ankle injury that has been bothering Matthews all year. After having a bye week to rest, I expect Matthews to finally showcase his first round talents on Monday Night Football against the Broncos and their 30-ranked run defense.

**Cedric Benson**, Bengals vs. Bills – Expect the Bengals to run Benson into the ground against the Bills, who have the worst run defense in the league.

**Ahmad Bradshaw**, Giants @ Eagles – The aggressive Eagles defense has been porous against good pass-catching backs because their blitz-heavy nature is susceptible to screens. Expect Bradshaw to make some big plays on Sunday Night.

**Percy Harvin**, Vikings vs. Packers – Brett Favre will force the ball to Harvin a ton as he tries to beat his former team. Harvin should make good on a few of these passes.

**Dez Bryant**, Cowboys vs. Lions – Dez Bryant is a beast. Things could not have gone worse for the Dallas Cowboys this season, but Bryant, while battling injuries, has continued to make big plays and has rejuvenated his team. Expect some more big plays on Sunday.

**Mario Manningham**, Giants @ Eagles – With Steve Smith still injured, Manningham should be

a great play against the Eagles, who will probably focus their game plan around stopping Hakeem Nicks.

**Brandon Pettigrew**, Lions @ Cowboys – Pettigrew is Jon Kitna's favorite target aside from Calvin Johnson, and he should be able to get open against the Cowboys and their porous secondary.

## Sit 'Em

**Matt Schaub**, Texans @ Jets – Schaub has not played well as of late and has a terrible matchup against Derrelle Revis and the Jets.

**Donovan McNabb**, Redskins @ Titans – McNabb will respond well to all the controversy that will be surrounding the Redskins in the coming weeks, but this isn't a good week to start him on the road against the Titans.

**Knowshon Moreno**, Broncos @ Chargers – I like Moreno moving forward, but the Chargers have a great run defense and Tim Tebow is stealing too many goal line touches.

**Darren McFadden**, Raiders @ Steelers – Run DMC has been a pleasant surprise this season, but I don't like him at all this week on the road against the Steelers, who should be extra motivated after being embarrassed on national television by Tom Brady.

**Michael Crabtree**, 49ers vs. Buccaneers – Troy Smith has breathed new life into the 49ers and Crabtree, but Aqib Talib has developed into one of the best cornerbacks in the game and Crabtree could have a tough time getting open.

**Mike Williams**, Seahawks @ Saints – Like McFadden, Williams' reemergence this season has been pleasantly surprising. However, I think his hot streak ends on the road against the Saints and their top-ranked pass defense.

**Rob Gronkowski**, Patriots vs. Colts – Gronkowski responded af-

ter a terrible week nine performance with three touchdowns in week 10. However, do not expect this to continue against the Colts and their speedy linebackers.

## Pickups of the Week

**Vincent Jackson**, WR, Chargers – He might already have been claimed in your league, but if he isn't, then grab him right away. Philip Rivers is putting up MVP numbers with Patrick Crayton and Seyi Ajitutu. Just imagine what he could do with a fresh Vincent Jackson.

**Sidney Rice**, WR, Vikings – Like Jackson, he may have been grabbed already, but if not, you need to get him. At this point Brett Favre really has nothing to lose, so expect him to force some throws to Rice right away. Also, reports out of Minnesota have indicated that Rice has looked great in practice.

**Tim Hightower**, RB, Cardinals – Beanie Wells has been slowed by injury, and the Cardinals schedule is great down the stretch.

**Clinton Portis**, RB, Redskins – This is a playoff move. Stash Portis and hope he resumes his role as the lead back in the fantasy playoffs when the 'Skins play Tampa Bay, Dallas and Jacksonville.

**Nate Washington**, WR, Titans – When Randy Moss comes to town, the biggest beneficiary is the number two wideout. Just ask Wes Welker and Percy Harvin.

## Players to Drop

**Brent Celek**, TE, Eagles – Celek is very talented, but unfortunately Michael Vick doesn't look his way often enough for you to consider starting him. Part ways with him for someone listed above.

**Patrick Crayton**, WR, Chargers – He had a nice run, but the San Diego wideouts are starting to get

healthy.

**Marion Barber**, RB, Cowboys – His role is diminishing more and more every week.

**Jonathan Stewart**, RB, Panthers – This was supposed to be the year in which he would take DeAngelo Williams' spot. Things really haven't gone his way, and it's safe to drop him with his latest concussion likely to force him to miss some time.

**Ricky Williams**, RB, Dolphins – He's just way too inconsistent to be on a roster.

## Players to Target

These are players you should try to trade for with the fantasy playoffs looming.

**Shonn Greene**, RB, Jets – His role is slowly but surely increasing, and he was actually given more carries than LaDainian Tomlinson this week. The Jets will probably try to rest LT for the playoffs in the coming weeks, making Greene a great play in the fantasy playoffs.

**Jamaal Charles**, RB, Chiefs – Charles hasn't put up the incredible numbers that he did last year, but he will in the fantasy playoffs. The Chiefs will start to rest Thomas Jones, and Kansas City's schedule is a cakewalk.

**Chris Johnson**, RB, Titans – Right now most people think of CJ2K as a top-five fantasy player, and I think that in these last seven weeks he will be the best player in fantasy by far. CJ has been slowed by the eight-and-nine-man fronts he's seen so far this season, but opposing teams will no longer be able to do this with the addition of Randy Moss. It will take a lot to get him, but I think it will be worth it, considering the ridiculous production he should have.

**Ryan Matthews**, RB, Chargers – As I previously mentioned, I think Matthews will get back on track in the second half of the season. You should buy him low if you can.

## WAKE from page A1

Josh Harris and Josh Adams are leading Wake Forest on the ground this season. Harris is having the better season of the two, averaging 5.6 yards per carry with five touchdowns.

The Demon Deacons' top two receivers this season have been Chris Givens and Devon Brown. They both have more than 30 receptions, and Givens is averaging 15.6 yards per catch with four touchdowns.

Linebacker Hunter Haynes leads the Wake Forest defense with 62 tackles and has six tackles for loss and 2.5 sacks. Another key player on the Demon Deacon defense is defensive tackle Kyle Wilber. Wilber is second on the team with 58 tackles and leads the team with 14.5 tackles for loss and 6 sacks.

Clemson has an overall record of 5-5 and is 3-4 in the ACC. The Tigers are coming off a tough 16-13 loss at Florida State last week.

Kyle Parker played a solid game last weekend except for a few costly interceptions. Parker has nine touchdowns through the air this season and will need to play well this weekend for the Tigers. Coach Dabo Swinney also stated that he would try to script

Tajh Boyd into the game plan for this weekend. Boyd will look to come in and give the offense a desperately needed spark.

The Clemson running game was impressive against Florida State. Jamie Harper played probably his best game of the season, rushing for 143 yards and accumulating 197 total yards.

Harper will look to carry the offense this weekend by finding holes in the Wake Forest defense. Rod McDowell will also look to see more action this week and show off his big play capability.

Some young receivers have been stepping up lately to become viable options through the air. DeAndre Hopkins leads the team with 31 receptions and has set the Clemson reception record for a freshman. Jaron Brown is a playmaker that has to continue to get the ball.

Tight end Dwayne Allen is also a key part of the Tigers passing game. Allen has tallied 30 catches so far this season.

The Clemson defense has been playing well as of late and is the ninth-ranked scoring defense in the country, allowing 17.4 points per game.

DaQuan Bowers is leading the nation with 13.5 sacks and has his eyes set on the Clemson single-

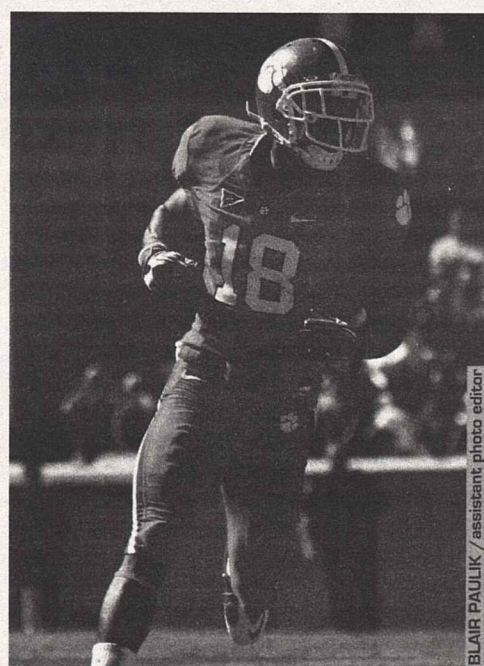
season sack record held by Keith Adams. Bowers also leads the team with 60 tackles and 22 tackles for loss. Andre Branch, Brandon Thompson and Jarvis Jenkins have also been forces on the defensive line, combining for six sacks and 18 tackles for loss.

Quandon Christian, Corico Hawkins and Brandon Maye have begun to make more plays at linebacker, and they will need to continue to progress throughout the rest of the season.

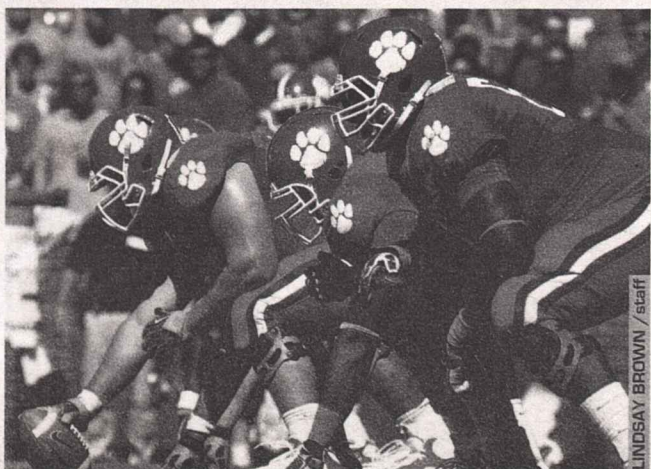
Safeties Rashard Hall and DeAndre McDaniel are second and third on the team in tackles, with 57 and 55 respectively. Cornerbacks Marcus Gilchrist and Byron Maxwell have also been playing well as of late and will need to continue that this weekend. These four players have combined for eight interceptions.

The Tigers need to come out ready to play to get their first road win of the season. Last week's loss was a tough one to swallow, and a win this weekend would go a long way in building the team's confidence as it heads into the rivalry game against South Carolina.

Support the Tigers this weekend as they travel to Winston-Salem to take on the Wake Forest Demon Deacons. The game is at 2 p.m. and can be seen on ESPN3.com.



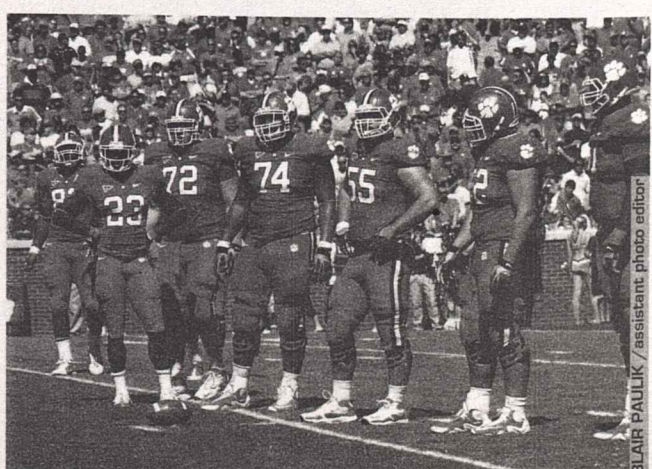
Jaron Brown leads a young Clemson receiving corps that has improved with every game.



The Clemson offensive line opened plenty of holes for Jamie Harper last Saturday, allowing the junior to have a career day.



The Tigers have missed the production of Andre Ellington since he injured his foot against Boston College earlier this season.



Clemson's offense will have to convert their opportunities in the red zone this week to avoid going winless on the road this season.



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# TIMEOUT

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## COOK OUT

KATIE QUEEN

Everyone that I had talked to about the arrival of Cook Out to Clemson was completely psyched beyond words that it was officially in town. I had not heard a negative comment about this restaurant, and



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I was excited to learn that it had opened up this past Friday. I knew I had to go see what all the hype was about and test if Cook Out lived up to the high recommendations I kept hearing.

I went with two of my food science friends for dinner on Tuesday, and I was shocked by how packed the restaurant was! It was hard to maneuver around to find a spot, but we finally were able to park towards the back. There was a line that reached all the way back to the door, and even though it was annoying, it was definitely promising.

First of all, there was a huge list of milkshakes from blueberry to chocolate cheesecake to peanut butter fudge. Then, there was a huge list of foods from burgers to hot dogs to chicken, so that made the decision

a little difficult as well. Luckily, I had looked up the menu online to help me guide my decision. I highly recommend doing that if it's your first Cook Out experience.

For dinner, I decided on the regular sized burger (1/4 pound) and added cheddar style (cheese, bacon, grilled onions and mayo) on top. I also chose to try the hushpuppies and a chocolate cheesecake milkshake.

I opened up the foil around the burger, and I was greeted with super melty cheese and wonderful smells. I actually burned my mouth on the burger and then again on the hushpuppies because they were so piping hot! But it was worth the pain. One of my friends said the burger tasted like something her dad cooked on the grill rather than coming from a restaurant, which really does live up to the

concept of Cook Out. I was definitely glad to see the consistency in the taste to the name of the restaurant.

The hushpuppies were also super delicious, hot and crunchy on the outsides. It was a perfect complement to my burger. My milkshake definitely lived up to the raving remarks I had heard before I visited this restaurant. It was super thick and creamy and a nice way to finish my meal.

I give Cook Out two thumbs up, and especially with exams coming up soon, this is a great restaurant for your midnight snack needs (they're open to 4 a.m. most nights). The prices were very reasonable and friendly to student wallets. Definitely give Cook Out a try and see if it doesn't have you planning what meal you're going to get next time!

## Spendthrift: Economics 101 Holiday Savings

ACHIENG ADONGO

Gift-giving can be pricey during the holiday season. According to Time magazine, the average shopper spent \$811 last holiday season. That is a lot of cash! One way to cut costs in this area is to make homemade gifts. My favorite type of homemade gift is probably the baked good. This week I will be providing a list of some ideas for Christmas gift recipes.

### Pumpkin Bread in a Jar

Ingredients:

- 1 oven-proof mug with a volume of 1-1/2 to 2 cups
- 1/3 cup all-purpose flour
- 2 tablespoons granulated sugar
- 1 tablespoon brown sugar, packed
- 1 tablespoon currants or raisins
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 3 tablespoons canned solid-pack pumpkin
- 1 egg, slightly beaten

- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 1/4 cup powdered sugar
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice or water

### Directions:

- Preheat oven to 350° F.
- Spray inside of ovenproof mug with nonstick cooking spray.
- Mix flour, granulated sugar, brown sugar, currants or raisins, baking powder, cinnamon and salt in a bowl. Add pumpkin, egg and vegetable oil. Stir until well-blended.
- Pour batter into mug, allowing space at the top for rising.

- Bake for 30 minutes or until toothpick inserted into the center of the bread comes out clean.
- Allow to cool to room temperature.
- Make glaze by mixing the powdered sugar and lemon juice; drizzle over the bread.
- This pumpkin bread recipe makes one serving.

### Cinnamon Hot Chocolate Mix Recipe:

Ingredients:

- 1 3/4 cups nonfat milk powder
- 1 cup icing sugar
- 1/2 cup cocoa
- 1/2 cup nondairy creamer
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 cup miniature marshmallows
- 2-3 cinnamon sticks to decorate the jar (optional)

Directions:

- In a large bowl, thoroughly stir together milk powder, sugar, cocoa, creamer and cinnamon. Gently stir in marshmallows.
- Pour Cinnamon Hot Chocolate Mix into an airtight jar. Can be stored in a cool, dry place for about three months.

For the receiver:

- To prepare cinnamon hot chocolate, dissolve three tablespoons of mix in 3/4 cup of hot milk.

### Chocolate Mint Squares

Ingredients:

- 6 tablespoons butter
- 1/2 cup Hershey's cocoa
- 2 cups powdered sugar
- 3 tablespoons plus 1 teaspoon milk, divided
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 package (3 oz.) cream cheese, softened

- 2 cups powdered sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/4 teaspoon peppermint extract
- 3 to 5 drops green food coloring

Directions:

- Line 8-inch square pan with foil. In small saucepan over low heat, melt butter; add cocoa.
- Heat, stirring constantly, just until mixture is smooth.
- Remove from heat; add powdered sugar, three tablespoons milk and vanilla.
- Simmer over low heat, stirring constantly, until mixture appears melted and glossy.
- Pour half of mixture into prepared pan; spread quickly. Refrigerate.
- Prepare mint filling; spread over chocolate layer. Refrigerate 10 minutes.
- Pour remaining chocolate mixture in saucepan; add remaining teaspoon of milk.
- Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until chocolate is melted. Spread quickly over filling.
- Refrigerate until thoroughly chilled. Cut into squares. Store in refrigerator.

Mint Filling Directions:

- In small mixer bowl, beat all ingredients until smooth.
- Add two to three teaspoons milk, if needed, for spreading consistency.



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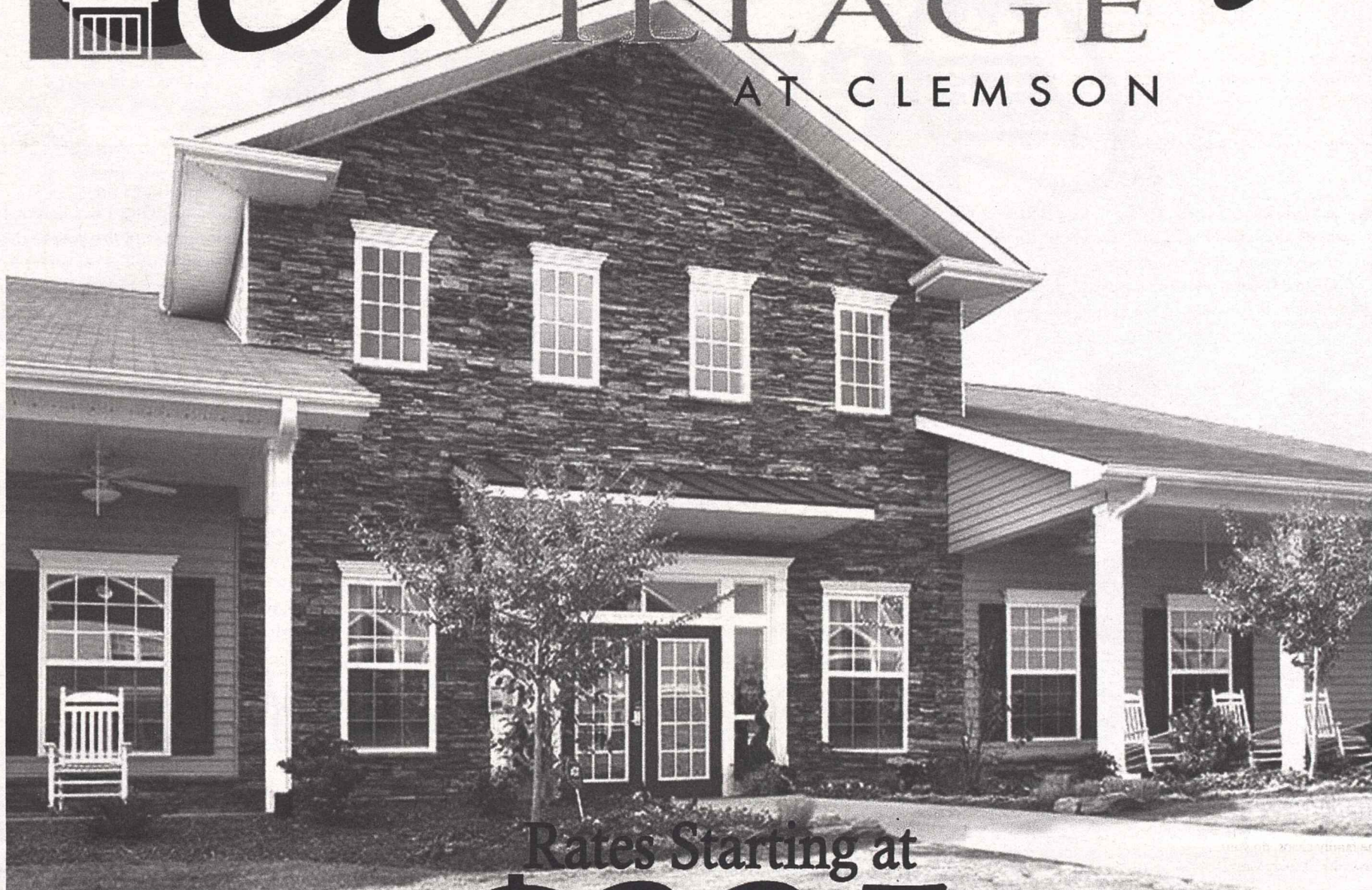




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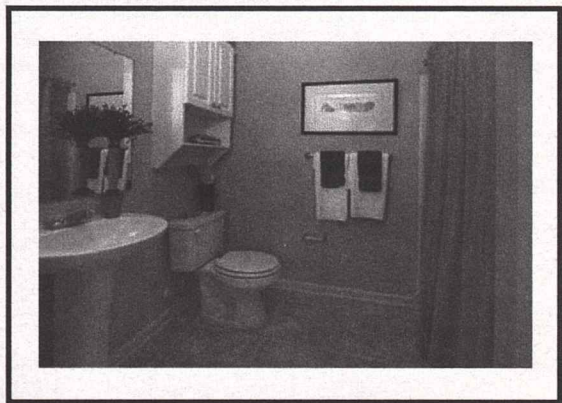


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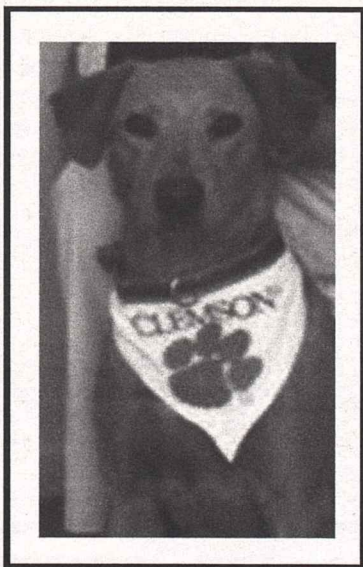
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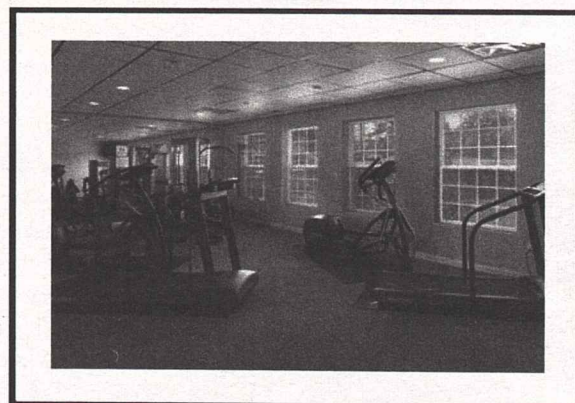
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## HOROSCOPES

### Aries

March 21 – April 20



Your computer doesn't have a virus; your roommate hacked it.

### Taurus

April 21 – May 20



It's probably a good thing that your Xbox developed the "Ring of Death." Now you can salvage your grades this semester instead of playing Call of Duty.

### Gemini

May 21 – June 21



Go ahead and sell your textbooks back to the bookstore; you're going to need some extra cash this week.

### Cancer

June 22 – July 22



Drink a couple Emergen-C mixes this week; your roommate is going to come down with a nasty case of bronchitis.

### Leo

July 23 – Aug. 23



Don't answer calls from that unknown number this week.

### Virgo

Aug. 24 – Sept. 22



On Tuesday, alter your route to class just slightly to avoid running into someone you've been trying to evade all semester.

### Libra

Sept. 23 – Oct. 23



Get a head start on that research paper; you're going to need a good grade to pull up that last exam score.

### Scorpio

Oct. 24 – Nov. 21



Despite all the family chaos, do your best to relax over the Thanksgiving break.

### Sagittarius

Nov. 22 – Dec. 21



You're going to oversleep on Monday. Set at least three alarms.

### Capricorn

Dec. 22 – Jan. 19



Try not to leave your possessions in the hands of awkward strangers this week.

### Aquarius

Jan. 20 – Feb. 19



Beware of people that seem "too good to be true" this month.

### Pisces

Feb. 20 – March 20



It's a trap!

## Across

1. Sign of injury
5. Grasps
10. Exchange for money
14. Domesticated
15. So far
16. Authentic
17. Plains native
18. Grenoble's river
19. Aware of
20. Request
22. Among
24. Backward tidal movement
25. Tree frog
26. Antidote
30. Trims
35. W.W. II Gen. \_\_\_\_ Arnold

50. "... countrymen, lend me your \_\_\_\_"
53. "Respect for Acting" author Hagen
54. Debate
58. Colonize
62. River in central Switzerland
63. Japanese beer brand
66. Horne solo
67. Journey
68. Salk's conquest
69. Approach
70. Actor Omar
71. Twix's partner
72. Sea swallow

## Down

1. Portico
2. Burmese, Manx, and Scottish Fold
3. In a frenzy
4. Marijuana cigarette
5. Cat's stomach accumulation
6. CIA forerunner
7. Caustic stuff
8. Bowler hat
9. Alloy of iron and carbon

10. Pack away
11. Sea eagle
12. Stringed instrument
13. Boxer Spinks
21. Japanese sash
23. Rhino relative
25. Monetary unit of Vietnam
26. Pierce
27. Capital of Vietnam
28. Big name in printers
29. Animation unit
31. Loss leader?
32. Ran swiftly
33. Nicholas Gage book
34. Church council
39. Disapproving sound
40. Baffled
41. Bribe
42. Reference
44. Draft org.
48. Hot time in Paris
49. Floating
51. Go with the flow
52. Plant anew
54. Go out with
55. Tombstone lawman
56. Clench
57. Workout count
59. Corner
60. Make-up artist?
61. Acquire through merit
64. Bass, e.g.
65. Go quickly

## EL QUIZ

1. What nation on average takes most time to eat meals?
2. What pet name for a dog is taken from the Latin for "I trust"?
3. On the 11th day of Christmas, what did "my true love send to me"?
4. Which comic book character is known as the Caped Crusader?
5. Does a circadian rhythm have a cycle of a day, month or year?

## RECIPE

### THAI GREEN CURRY

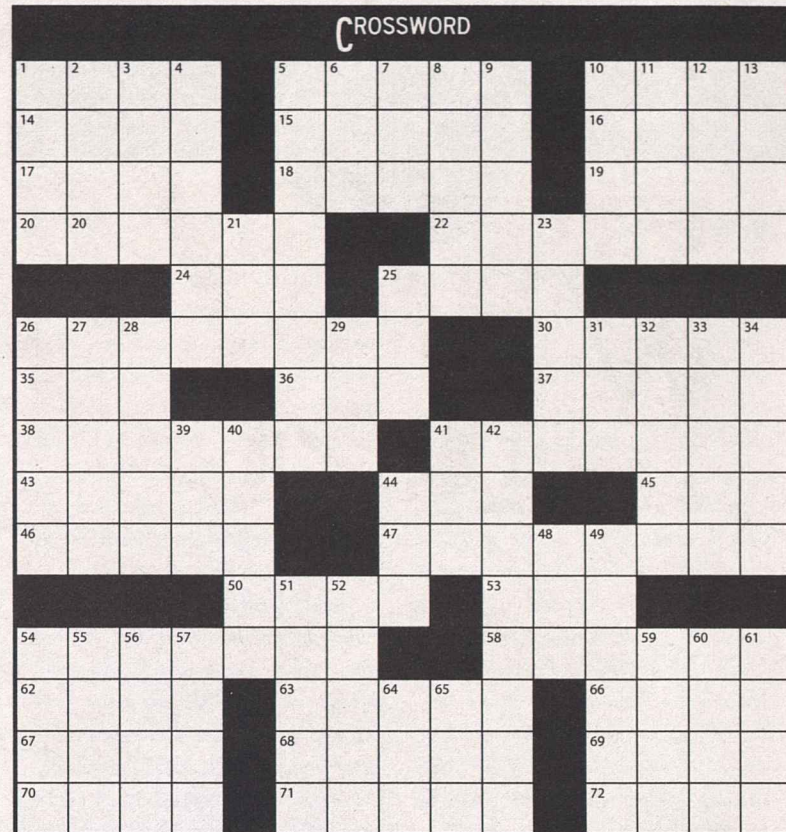
#### Ingredients:

- 2 chicken breasts
- 1 can coconut milk or low fat coconut milk
- 1 onion, chopped
- 1 eggplant, chopped
- 1 chopped green chili
- Thai Green Curry paste

#### Directions:

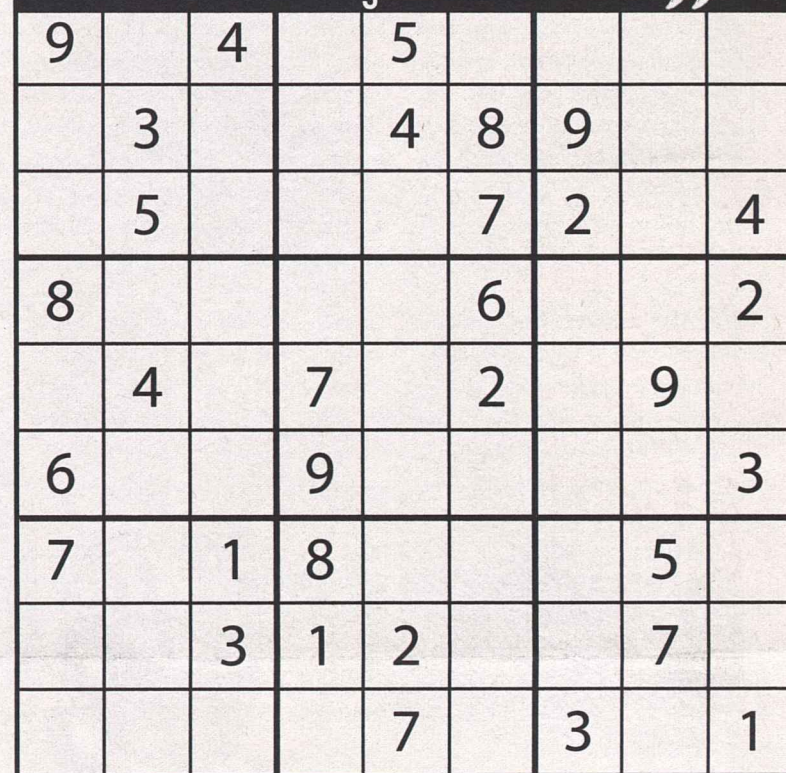
1. To make the curry, cook the paste in a large, non-stick wok or frying pan over low heat for five minutes.
2. Cut the chicken into strips and add to the pan with the chopped onion. Cook for five to eight minutes or until no longer pink. Add the eggplant.
3. Stir in the coconut milk and simmer for about 10 minutes or until the chicken is cooked through. Scatter over the chili and serve.

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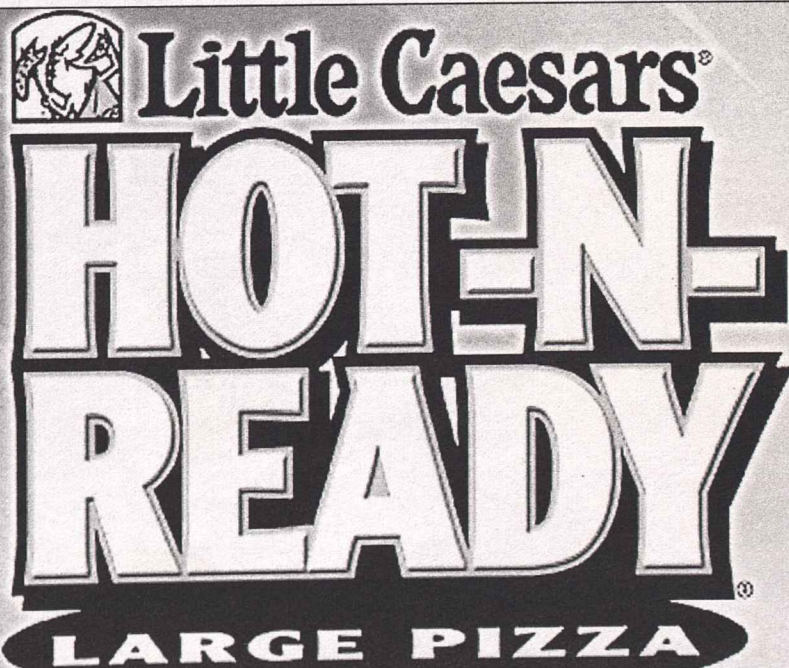
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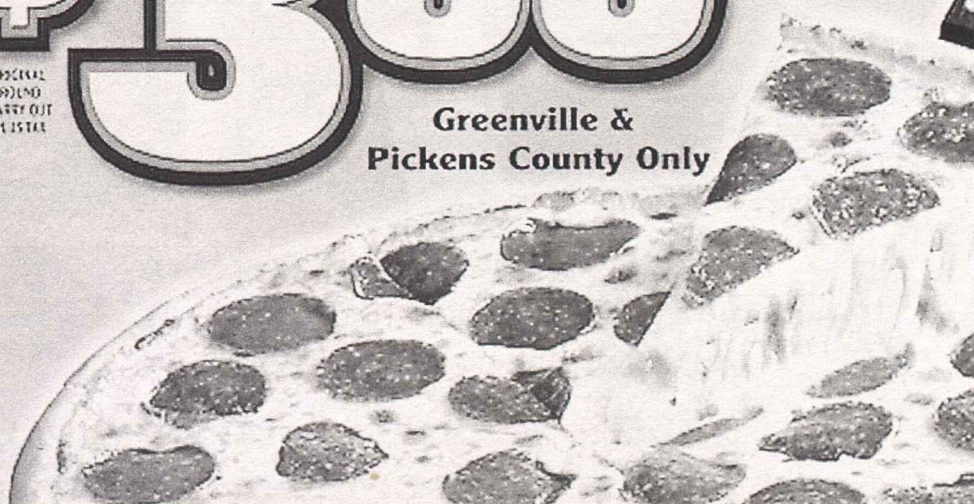


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KATIE QUEEN

With the impending Christmas season and the shopping that goes along with it, a lot of people are going to be heading to downtown Greenville to find some unique gifts. And at some point in the midst of the Christmas shopping, you'll need to refuel. When that time, otherwise known as lunch, comes, stop by Two Chefs Deli in Poinsett Plaza on South Main Street in the heart of downtown.

When my roommate and I first drove by, we couldn't find Two Chefs because it really is inside the lobby of Poinsett Plaza. A second loop by 104 S. Main let us spot a sign on the sidewalk directing people to the restaurant.

Upon walking in to the restaurant, there were quite a few people enjoying their lunches. Nearly every table was full, and I noticed that the décor was definitely upscale but reminiscent of a very comfortable coffee house, making me feel right at home in the local deli (think Central-Perk-from-Friends-style but southern).

All the workers were wearing chef coats, which I thought matched the restaurant name well, and it was a clever way to keep the theme throughout. The menu was absolutely huge and everything sounded tasty, making the decision of what to have for lunch even more difficult.

I decided on the sampler, which allowed me to try three of the salads for under \$8. I got a massive plate filled with chicken and pear salad, pimiento cheese and Asian noodle salad. It was served on a bed of greens with a warm roll on top for the pimiento cheese.

All three salads were wonderful, and I really can't pick a favorite from the three. The chicken and pear salad was probably the most unique, full of nuts and perfectly ripe pears. The pimiento cheese was spicy and made in a truly Southern style. The Asian noodle salad was very light with no overwhelming flavors but rather a fresh blend of various Asian flavors.

I also tasted my roommate's grilled Italian turkey sandwich and roasted potato salad. The sandwich was really unique with fresh mozzarella and zucchini, a nice combination you don't often find in delis. Also, I'm usually not a fan of potato salad, but I could have eaten Two Chefs Deli's roasted potato salad all afternoon.

To end our meal, we grabbed a meltaway bar, which my roomie appropriately described as "a macaroon on crack." It was coconut-y like a macaroon, but it also had a graham crust, chocolate chips, nuts and caramel drizzled all over the top of the dessert. It was the perfect sweet treat to end a wonderful meal.

Even though it may be a little difficult to hunt down, Two Chefs Deli is worth the search. I definitely recommend a trip to this yummy lunch spot when you go to downtown Greenville to window shop or purchase gifts this fall. Two Chefs Deli is a great restaurant that fills your belly with great food without emptying your wallet.



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## Gallery from page A1

Riley photographs familiar people and places in the surrounding areas, such as his home or studio. The final images function as metaphors and represent the figure as an icon. Riley feels he is most successful when a single image is able to form a narrative. These are truly some of the most powerful photos you will ever see at Clemson.

Slone draws inspiration from a personal yearning to understand her family history and origins. As a second generation Polish-American, Slone strives to reconnect with people she knows only from family legends. In her paintings, Slone recreates fabricated narratives by combining public domain images and photos with the historical decorative motifs of Polish folk art. The Polish motif known as "wycinanki" is used frequently throughout Slone's work as a way of disrupting the image, forming a sort of chaotic quality. The ambiguity in the pieces represents the mystery and uncertainty of the people and their stories. Slone's work forms a compelling and beautiful dialog between painting and photography as well as dimensional and flat space.

Renfro seeks to document her transition out of the comfort of her home in rural Kentucky. Recognizing that the place where she grew up differs drastically from the mentality of contemporary society, Renfro uses object-making and performance as a means to convey her journey. She uses handmade paper to convey a sense of fragility in the work that emphasizes the vulnerability we have when navigating the changes that occur during life. The paper is also a reference to Renfro's background and her relationship with fiber arts.

Join the Lee Gallery in an artist reception to celebrate the hard work of these three artists.

### Bachelor of Fine Arts: "Renovating Existence"

The Bachelor of Fine Arts Senior Exhibition will showcase sculptures by Chrissy Spangenberg, photographs by Molly Coker and paintings by Jessica Bowers. The exhibit will be on view in Lee Gallery from Monday, Dec. 6 through Friday, Dec. 10 with an artist reception on Friday from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the gallery. Join Chrissy Spangenberg and Jessica Bowers for artist talk at 6:30 p.m. before the reception.

Spangenberg's work has an underlying

theme of the midlife aging process and the contradiction of being both old and new. She uses common objects while combining them with new methods of fabrication to represent the re-creation of our own lives.

With an emphasis on the formal aspects of art, such as line, shape, color, volume, texture and tone, Coker constructs imagery from her own backyard. Molly looks for art in all her surroundings and expresses this with formal tendencies and the everyday.

Bowers produces paintings that explore the idea that a threshold exists between the constructs of life and death. She uses this as a catharsis to resolve personal feelings of loss. Landscapes are altered with a vivid color palette as though they are drawn from a lucid dream as one enters another realm.

### Master of Fine Arts: "Creatures of Habit"

The Lee Gallery was honored to host "Creatures of Habit," an MFA thesis exhibit that displayed the ceramic work of David Hill and the printed matter of Jennifer Miller. The graduating Master of Fine Arts students have worked for two years preparing and developing work for their final show at Clemson University. The exhibit was on display from Nov. 15 until Nov. 19 with a closing reception beginning at 7 p.m. in Lee Gallery.

David Hill explores the fragmented figure in his ceramic sculptures. Beginning as a traditional potter with interests in wood-fired ceramics and vessels, Hill now uses the human body as a vessel.

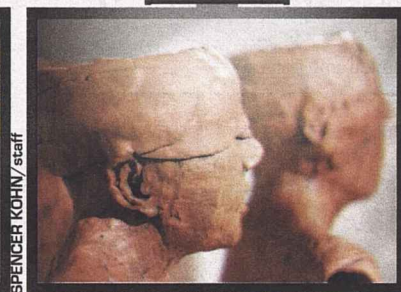
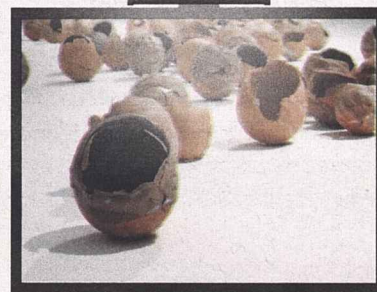
Inspired by the biblical story of St. Sebastian who was put to death by arrows, "Sebastian" is one of many handmade figurative sculptures that will appear in Hill's MFA exhibit. The fragmented man has numerous holes carved into it, both subtractive to the form and defining at the same time. The wounds become an entry point for the viewer and a way for light to enter and illuminate the interior

space. They become something less horrifying than lesions and transform into an almost decorative pattern. Hill states that "wounds and struggles can lead to transcendence." Having a very strong faith, Hill takes some inspiration from religion and makes subtle references to biblical stories though titles of his work. The smooth surface and texture picked up by a careful layering of washes and terra sigillata, a smooth, refined slip, is quite alluring in these already impressive handmade sculptures.

Jennifer Miller, an Arizona native, investigates the adaptations of both humans and animals into suburban environments, spanning over three bodies of work. Working subtractively, Miller sheds light on the secret activities of animals at night. Her lithographs capture richness and an overwhelming amount of detail, producing a high-definition image while silk-screening and collographs allow for various substrates to be used and add a sense of physicality to the print. Miller's processes are specific to the imagery she illustrates, which makes use of memories, natural history and observations.

Growing up in suburbia, Miller came to appreciate the hidden pockets of nature and wildlife as they were replaced with golf courses, four-car garages and other extravagances. There is humor and beauty in these adaptations. The animals act as stand-ins for the figure, emulating our behaviors and accesses. Her prints showcase animals' adaptations to urban sprawl while holding a mirror up to our own behaviors, as in the piece "Watering Hole," which sums up Miller's concept quite beautifully.

Between the fragmented figures of David Hill and Jennifer Miller's revealing prints, one is sure to enjoy the work by these MFA candidates. Please join Lee Gallery in celebrating the culmination of years of hard work in a closing reception at 7 p.m. on Nov. 19 with refreshments and good company!



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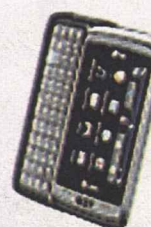


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## REVIEWS

## CALL OF DUTY, "BLACK OPS"

KILEY GRANT

"Call of Duty" has once again thrown video gamers across the world into a frenzy of sleepless nights and missed classes, because this is one game you just won't be able to put down.

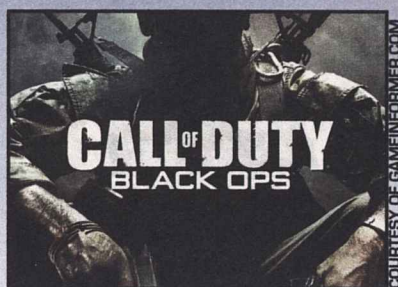
The Nov. 9 release date saw lines of 5.6 million people outside stores waiting to pick up a copy of the game — sales so far have shattered the previous \$10 million sales record set by "Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 2." At \$59.99 for your own copy of the game, it's worth it.

Not only can you play the campaign mode as an elite special force soldier caught in a Cold War world of covert warfare and classified missions, online play is back and better than ever.

Now a friend can join in a split-screen mode and play online where the players have more control over the maps that are played.

Better yet? Zombie game play is back. The graphics have been enhanced, but the game is a little harder to get used to. Shots must be more precise to get a kill, and a new money-based method of unlocking weapons, perks and equipment has been introduced.

My personal favorite new kill streak reward is a remote-controlled bomb you are able to detonate from a hidden location. Updated respawning means you must watch your back at all time. The controls are still the same, so there's



no wasted time learning how to navigate the game.

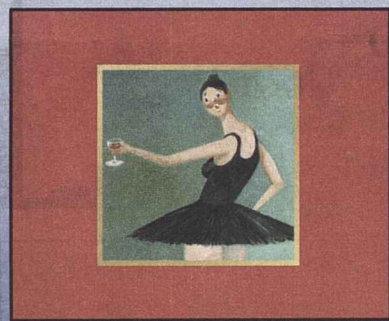
This Friday, call up a couple of friends and order a pizza, because it's "COD: Black Ops" night, and you wouldn't want to miss this game.

## KANYE WEST, "MY BEAUTIFUL DARK TWISTED FANTASY"

JACOB WEBB

Kanye West is a complete anomaly. As a result of his notoriously bad public behavior, he's widely disliked by much of the world. However, critical and commercial success awaits him with each of his releases.

With his latest album, "My Beautiful Dark Twisted Fantasy," West actually deserves to silence his numerous critics. Recorded in Hawaii during a self-imposed exile after his infamous outburst during Taylor Swift's acceptance speech at the 2009 MTV Video Music Awards, West has made his best album to date. Each of West's previous albums has an underlying musical theme: the bright soul samples of "The College Dropout," the meticulous orchestration of "Late Registration," the colorful, electronic palette of "Graduation" and the cold, robotic 808s of "Heartbreak" each tied the respective albums together nicely, giving the listener a quick peek into West's overflowing musical ambitions.



What sets "My Beautiful Dark Twisted Fantasy" above his prior albums is how effectively it condenses so many of his previous ideas into an album that is, well, dark and twisted. Rather than repeatedly revisiting one theme on each song, West has thrown out the rulebook and aimed to make something so ridiculous that its bombast becomes its greatest strength. It's as if Kanye aimed to make the weirdest record possible for a listener and ended up making something that's perfectly normal for Kanye West.

Each of these tracks shows off Kanye's ambitions, and against all expectations, he hits the target every time. On the lead single "Power," West raps over a stuttering, choppy beat and an African chant about how he understands why the media hates him, but his self-criticism soon turns to anger as he lashes out against his critics.

Even more impressive are the two posse cuts, "Monster" and "So Appalled." The former features an outright ridiculous verse from Nicki Minaj and the falsetto of folk artist Bon Iver, while the latter boasts appearances from Jay-Z and the RZA, which almost overshadows West on his own track. As mentioned before, West is obviously going for something over the top, and the album highlight "All of the Lights" features a ridiculous, but never superfluous, 11 artists, including Rihanna, Fergie, Alicia Keys, John Legend, Kid Cudi and a piano solo from Elton John.

Topping the list of bizarre Kanye ideas, though, is the penultimate track "Lost in the Woods." Built around a sample of Bon Iver's auto-tune experiment "Woods," the track is a testament to West's production skills, reminding the listener that he can seemingly carve a great song out of the most unlikely sources.

On "My Beautiful Dark Twisted Fantasy," Kanye has become painfully self aware, realizing his faults as a person but relearning his strengths, he thus reaffirms himself as the most forward-thinking producer in hip-hop. On "Runaway," the album's strongest track, Kanye toasts himself, a self-proclaimed "jerkoff," over a sparse piano progression of only a few notes that composes one of his best productions, and this makes the track epitomize West's personal journey that occurred over the recording of the record. He willed himself to make a record that he knows only an artist of his caliber can make, and he played to his strengths, some of which are coincidentally his own faults.

After years of criticism, Kanye has shown to be just as frustrated with himself as the public is. However, his struggle is what drives him, and that he can harness his own turmoil into music this creative deserves high praise. West has created an album that's beautiful and harrowing all at once, and that's what makes "My Beautiful Dark Twisted Fantasy" one of the best records of the year, regardless of genre.



ELIZABETH CREELE

Rudest Things a Professor Can Do To You

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Send you a cheerful email informing you that you are failing LIB 100 – Smack on the head, but why are you failing LIB 100 in the first place? And why would they be cheerful informing a student they are failing something? Some questions will never be answered, I suppose.

4

Call you out in front of the class – The point of this? To get your attention, maybe, but in most cases it's to make an example out of you to the rest of the class. Kind of like, "See here, kids? Johnny here is talking during my class, and if you do the same, you will also be called out in front of everyone."

3

Come to class unprepared – Really? They expect us to be ready for anything, but then they come into class unprepared? You really could just cancel class if you didn't have anything ready!

2

Never giving you back your essays so you can't use them as a reference for the next assignment – If the professor is incapable of grading all of their students' papers, then why even give the next assignment? It just frustrates students and frustrates the professors as well because students bug them to death about it. Solution: give them what they want — hand back their papers!

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While handing you back your exam say, "Sucks for you." – Thanks for the telltale sign there. You can keep my failing test paper while I go bang my head on my desk in shame.

FUN fact OF THE WEEK

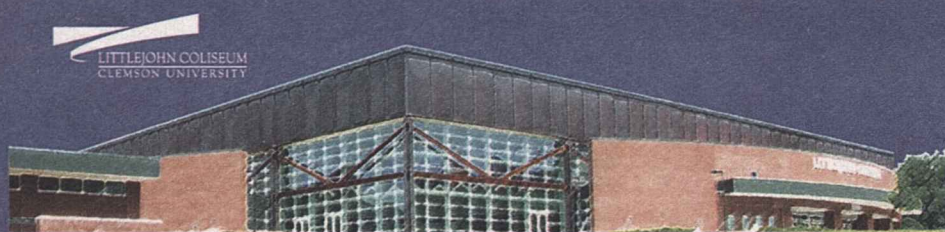
An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain.

## Photo of the Week



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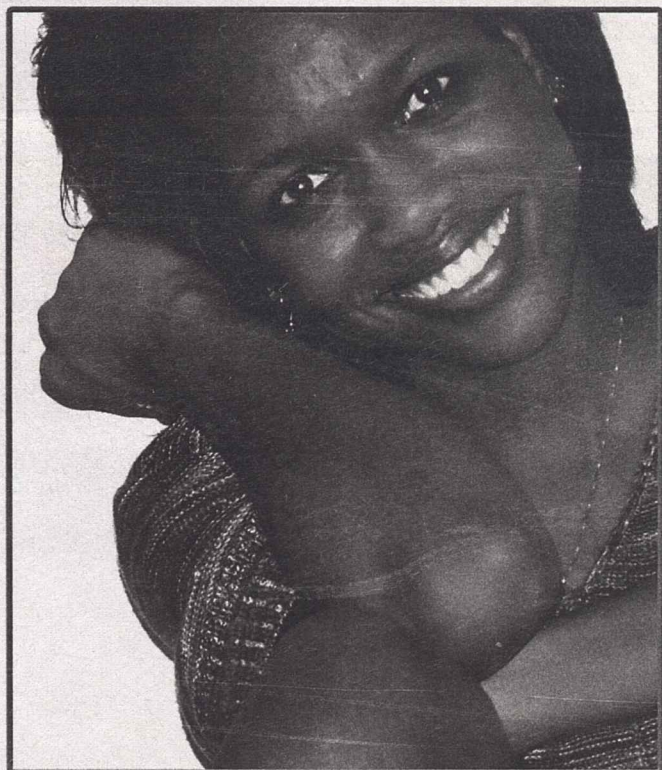
## CLEMSON MAJOR EVENTS

**Fanatics Meeting Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>**  
6:30pm Littlejohn Coliseum's Greenroom.

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## W.I.T. AWARD

Congratulations to our November W.I.T Award winner Zenobia (Zee) Staley! This senior in Graphic Communications from Dalzell, SC has gone above and beyond for TigerPaw Productions. She has helped the Street Team by putting up flyers all across the Upstate, advertised for our upcoming events, as well being a valuable and consistent worker for Guest Services. She has truly been there when needed the most as well as exceeding expectations to do whatever it takes to get the job done which makes her well deserving of this award!



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How many of you out there have ever seen the huge purple Fanatics truck driving around campus? Maybe it was pumping music by the upcoming artists soon to appear at Littlejohn Coliseum, or perhaps a fellow Clemson student was on the mic trying to get the students pumped on their walk between classes. No matter where you saw it or what was going on I'm sure it made a lasting impression and that's what the Marketing crew of TigerPaw Productions is all about! Our goal is to make a lasting positive impression on not only the students and faculty of Clemson University and other surrounding schools, but also on the community. The best part about it is that it could be YOU driving the bread truck around, motivating fellow Tigers and strangers alike to come out and enjoy what Clemson University and TPP has to offer. And did I forget to mention... you get paid to do it!!

Driving the bread truck around is only one of the many cool things that we get to do as part of the Marketing Team for TPP! The Street Team is also in charge of remotes, which is setting up a marketing table either on or off campus, where we promote our upcoming shows and TPP as a whole. Our Street Team has had remotes at The Children's Museum of Greenville, Denver Downs Corn Maze, Clemson University's Organization Fair, Regal Cinemas, and so many more places! Each remote is a new experience and opportunity to meet innovative and interesting people, also a way to get TPP's name out in the community! Also, our Street Team is responsible for hanging flyers all around campus and the surrounding cities promoting our widely anticipated shows.

Those are just some of what we do on the Street Team because with this crew, there are endless opportunities, and numerous directions in which you can go. Since there are virtually no boundaries of what the street team is capable of doing there is an unlimited amount of work opportunities and chances to allow your creativity to run rampant. If you are interested in working with TigerPaw Production's Street Team or just have some questions that you would like answered, feel free to email me at [ssallw@clemson.edu](mailto:ssallw@clemson.edu). I look forward to hearing from you!

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